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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, Los Angeles ✓

DATE: 1/16/53

FROM: SAC, New York (100-107111)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE  
IS - C  
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

By letter dated 9/30/52 the Bureau requested preparation by New York of a prosecutive summary report on instant Organization for submission to the department regarding Organization's failure to register as a Communist front Organization under Section 7 of Internal Security Act of 1950.

*beginning April 1953 to bring this case up to date*  
All offices receiving copies of this letter should immediately conduct a file review concerning this Organization and submit the results in accordance with instructions of SAC Letter No. 114, series 1951, ~~and in accordance with instructions as previously submitted to listed offices in other prosecutive summary reports on other cases.~~ *In addition all offices are requested to follow instructions on list.*

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It is likely that when all of the facts of instant Organization are received from the field that it will be determined by New York that captioned Organization does not come within the scope of the outline of investigation. If this is so, Bureau has instructed New York to submit a summary investigative report. Accordingly, all offices are requested, in addition to submitting information requested for a prosecutive summary, to submit other investigation that would be suitable in a summary investigative report.

Results should be submitted to New York in letter form with an original and two copies, Air Mail Special Delivery, together with exhibits, to reach New York no later than January 28, 1953. No copies should be submitted to the Bureau.

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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

SAC, NEW YORK CITY (100-107111)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE  
IS-C; INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950. RE NYC LETTER 1/16/53  
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BEFORE A GROUP WHO CONTRIBUTED FUNDS FOR DEFENSE OF  
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DOCUMENTATION CONCERNING ABOVE AND ADVISE WHETHER COPIES OF  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111) AMSD DATE: 1/21/53

FROM : SAC, SAVANNAH (100-4219) REGISTERED

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE  
IS - C  
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Re memo New York to Los Angeles 1/16/53 in captioned matter.

A file review has been completed and nothing has been found to indicate there has been any reported activity by or in behalf of captioned committee within the Savannah Division.

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*J. A. B. [signature]*

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111) (AMSP) DATE: 1-22-53  
 FROM : SAC, RICHMOND (100-8665)  
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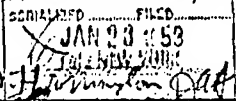
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SA R.E.TROW [REDACTED] b7D

6/22/52

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SA R.E.TROW [REDACTED] b7D

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)(AMSD)

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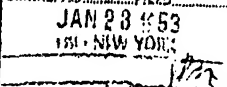
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SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111) (AMSP)

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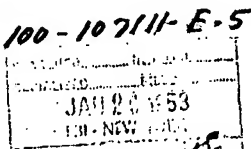
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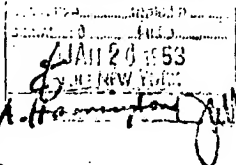
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FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE  
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INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950  
(Office of Origin: New York)  
(Bufile 100-387835)

DATE: January 26, 1953

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Set forth below, in accordance with the provisions of referenced letter, is the pertinent information available in the files of this Office with regard to the subject organization.

All sources set forth are of known reliability, and an asterisk next to a source indicates that the source is currently active as an informant and cannot be exposed or is a person unwilling to testify. In all other instances the informant or source is considered as a potential witness and appropriate background data concerning the sources are set forth under a separate section at the conclusion of this letter.

The file numbers set forth indicate the location of the original exhibit in the Los Angeles file.

The exhibits taken from the "Daily People's World" are from the Los Angeles edition, which in some instances differs from the San Francisco edition. All such exhibits are photostatic copies--the originals of which can be introduced as evidence by the Chief Librarian, Library of Congress, Washington, D. C.

The information set forth below applies to the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case (LACSJRC). Where the subject organization is referred to, it will be as the NCSJRC.

The Los Angeles County Communist Party will be referred to in this letter as the LACCP.

All information received from informants was by written report unless otherwise stated, and unless otherwise specified all informants are of known reliability.

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Inasmuch as this Office is currently in the process of preparing an organizational report concerning the subject organization, information suitable for incorporation in a summary investigative report to be prepared by New York is not being submitted.

I. AVAILABLE EVIDENCE TO SHOW ORGANIZATION  
SUBSTANTIALLY DOMINATED BY THE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA

[REDACTED]  
SA THOMAS H. MOORE

At a meeting [REDACTED] of the LACSJRC [REDACTED] DOROTHY HEALEY made a speech to this Committee concerning its work. She also addressed the group concerning a coming LACSJRC meeting, setting out how the meeting should be run and what each member must do to make it a success. b7D

DOROTHY HEALEY was convicted in August, 1952, in Los Angeles, for conspiracy to violate the Smith Act of 1940.

[REDACTED]  
10/30/52 SA RAYMOND P. KASBAUM

[REDACTED]  
11/12/52 SA THOMAS W. CRAWFORD

[REDACTED]  
11/12/52 SA THOMAS W. CRAWFORD

At a meeting sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress (CRC) held October 24, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, California, WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN, Chairman, 13th District, Communist Party, USA, spoke of the prosecution and brutal treatment given the ROSENBERGS by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. SCHNEIDERMAN led the rally to raise money for the ROSENBERGS.

The CPC has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835. b7D

## II. ORIGIN OF ORGANIZATION

[REDACTED]  
6/21/52 SA FLOYD E. PURVIS  
[REDACTED]

At the Midwest Conference on the ROSENBERG Case held under the auspices of the Chicago Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case on August 16 and 17, 1952, in Chicago, Illinois, DAVID ALMAN, National Executive Secretary of the ROSENBERG Case, stated: "that the LACSJRC was started by Mrs. DAVIDSON with a group of seven progressives who wrote New York. Miss PENNINGTON sent a list of local persons who had contacted the New York office which totaled 37 names in January or February of 1952. They felt that the most correct position to take in the ROSENBERG Case was that the ROSENBERGS were innocent." 670

The above information was extracted from a Chicago memorandum, dated December 5, 1952, captioned NCSJRC--a copy of which is in possession of New York, file 100-107111.

## III. PROOF OF EXISTENCE AFTER 9/23/50

As is set out in "II", this organization was formed, as presently constituted, subsequent to September 23, 1950. All information set forth in this letter may be submitted as evidence that the LACSJRC existed subsequent to that date.

## IV. NATIONAL OFFICERS - PAST AND PRESENT

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] SA HARRY H. WHIDBEE  
[REDACTED]

At a conference held by the LACSJRC in Los Angeles [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] DAVID ALMAN was introduced as Secretary of the NCSJRC. 670

V. BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS


A search of information available to this Office has been made, but nothing of an admissible nature pertinent to this section was located.

VI. COMMUNIST PARTY AFFILIATION OF OFFICERS - NATIONAL AND LOCAL

No information of an admissible nature concerning the Communist Party affiliation of national officers of the subject organization is in the possession of this Office.

Local officers are set forth below:

Exhibit #1

  
Los Angeles, California  
1/15/53 SA WILLIAM LEE McDERMOTT  
100-41648-1A-20

An open letter addressed "Dear Friends," bearing the letterhead Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case, 406 South Main Street, Los Angeles, California, reflects SOPHIE DAVIDSON as Los Angeles Chairman and HARRY PIERCE as Organizational Secretary of this group. The following individuals were among those listed as partial sponsors of this organization:

Dr. MURRAY ABOWITZ  
Reverend STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN  
Dr. SANFORD GOLDNER  
MARTIN HALL  
SARAJO LORD  
WYNDHAM MORTIMER  
OLIVE THOMPSON

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12/5/49 SA VERNON D. JENSEN  
orally

As of December 5, 1949, SOPHIE DAVIDSON was Educational Director  
and Literature Director [REDACTED]  
LACCP. [REDACTED] b7D

8/1/51 SA JULIAN R. BLODGETT, Et Al  
100-1763-1B43-H- Vol. 1, P. 91

As of August, 1951, HARRY PIERCE expressed a desire to enter the  
LACCP, and at that time was looked upon favorably by the LACCP. b7D

Dr. LOUISE SILVER LIGHT  
in testimony before a Public  
Session of the House Committee  
on Un-American Activities,  
Washington, D. C.  
1/21/52  
100-20663-229

Dr. LOUISE SILVER LIGHT stated under oath that she had been an  
active member of the LACCP from 1939 to 1945. She stated further that  
Dr. MURRAY ABOVITZ was known to her to have been a member of the LACCP  
during the period of her membership.

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STEPHEN FRITCHMAN was a member of the Communist Party [REDACTED] b7D

8/23/50 SA R. PAWLINS OVERTON  
100-22873-194

SAMFORD GOLDNER was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP, as of  
August, 1950. b7D

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11/24/51 SA BERNARR M. PTACEK

As of November, 1951, MARTIN HALL was Chairman of the Science and Education Division of the Hollywood Arts, Sciences, and Professions Council (HASPC). b7D

                     advised Special Agent MARCUS M. BRIGHT on February 20, 1951, that the HASPC, which is the Southern California Chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences, and Professions, was the most important Communist controlled organization in the Hollywood professional field at that time, and its policies parallel the Communist Party line on all important issues. Membership in the HASPC, of itself, however, does not connote membership in or sympathy with the Communist Party. b7D

                      
October, 1949 SA J. ROBERT SULLIVAN  
130-18782-D

SARAJO LODD was a member of the                      LACCP, from 1947 to 1949. b7D

                      
8/4/51 SA IRVING T. WEEKS  
Orally

                     MEDMAN MORTIMER in February, 1949, was assigned to the                      LACCP. b7D

                      
8/11/51 SA JOHN F. McHUGH  
Orally

As of June, 1952, OLIVE THOMPSON was a member of the LACCP. b7D

Exhibit #2  
                      
                      
                    

                      
8/21/52 SA THOMAS E. BRYANT  
100-41648-1A-26

b7D

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A flyer entitled "Los Angeles Pallies to the ROSENBERGs," announcing a meeting to be sponsored by LACSJRC on September 12, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium listed as among the partial list of sponsors those individuals set out and characterized under Exhibit #1.

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[REDACTED] SA WILLIAM J. NOLAN, JR.  
**62**

[REDACTED]  
1945 SA VERNON D. JENSEN  
Orally

STELLA BIBER attended numerous meetings of the [REDACTED] LACCP, during 1946. **B7D**

[REDACTED]  
SA THOMAS H. MOORE  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
**B7D**

SOPHIE DAVIDSON has been previously characterized.

[REDACTED]  
10/21/52 SA KENNETH R. MERRILL  
100-32572-1A-1

GEORGE BELL is a member of the CRC in Los Angeles for the year 1952-1953. The CRC has been previously characterized. **B7D**

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[REDACTED]  
April, 1948 SA VERNON D. JENSEN  
Orally

FRIEDA SAPERSTEIN was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP, b7D  
as of April, 1948.

[REDACTED]  
10/28/61 SA SIDNEY M. WOLF  
[REDACTED]

ROSALIE SCHNEFIELD was a member [REDACTED]  
of the CRC in Los Angeles as of October, 1951. b7D

[REDACTED] SA TIMOTHY L. DONOVAN, Et Al  
100-1763-1B-43B, P. 10  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] b7D

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[REDACTED] SA HARRY H. WHIDBEE  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] b7D

SARAJO LORD has been previously characterized.

VII. EXTENT TO WHICH SUPPORT, FINANCIAL  
OR OTHERWISE, IS DERIVED FROM THE COMMUNIST PARTY

[REDACTED] SA ALEX M. HURST

At a meeting of [REDACTED] LACCP, it was discussed whether it was more important at the moment to spare the ROSENBERGS' lives at the expense of presuming their guilt or to fight for an innocent verdict. b7D

[REDACTED] SA JOHN J. DE BELLO  
Orally

At a Communist Party Club meeting [REDACTED] it was announced by the Club Educational Director that the next issue to be dealt upon by the Party, after the elections, was the ROSENBERG Case. b7D

[REDACTED] SA JOHN J. DE BELLO  
Orally

Two hundred pamphlets concerning the ROSENBERG Case were folded and addressed at a regular meeting [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] SA M. RAWLINS OVERTON  
[REDACTED] b7D



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At a meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP, it was announced that all Comrades in union and mass organizations were to send wires to President TRUMAN pleading for clemency on behalf of the ROSENBERGS. b7D

[REDACTED] JOHN J. DE BELLO

[REDACTED] ALICEALUS A. HALL

At a meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP, it was announced that a meeting would be held to protest the execution of the ROSENBERGS on the following Thursday evening at the Embassy Auditorium in Los Angeles and that all the Club members were to attend the rally instead of attending the regular Communist Party Club meeting. b7D

[REDACTED] JOHN J. DE BELLO

LACCP, stated [REDACTED] that an effort should be made to be present at a meeting to be held at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, on November 20, 1952,--the purpose of which was a rally for the ROSENBERGS. b7D

[REDACTED] JOHN J. DE BELLO

At a meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP, [REDACTED] stated that the main issues were Peace and the ROSENBERG case. b7D

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[REDACTED]  
SA ALEX M. HURST

At a regular meeting of [REDACTED] LACCP, [REDACTED] it was announced that there would be a protest rally for the ROSENBERGS held October 24, 1952, and all members should attend, if possible. b7D

[REDACTED]  
SA THOMAS E. DYAR

At a meeting held [REDACTED] DOROTHY HEALEY spoke concerning the ROSENBERG trial and the sentencing of the ROSENBERGS to death. HEALEY urged everyone present at this meeting to appear in a picket line which was to be conducted in Los Angeles on November 22, 1952, to protest the sentencing of the ROSENBERGS. b7D

DOROTHY HEALEY has been previously characterized.

[REDACTED]  
SA JOHN D. WALLACE

[REDACTED] means for helping the ROSENBERGS' stay of execution were discussed. It was also stated at this meeting that the LYL is a youth group studying Marxist-Leninist theories, but the Communist Party, as leader in the Labor Movement, sets a pattern for it to follow. b7D

The LYL has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

[REDACTED]  
SA ICEALIUS A. HALL

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] 870  
[REDACTED] SA GEORGE M. GIBSON  
[REDACTED]

At a meeting of the [REDACTED] the ROSENBERG Case was discussed, and it was decided to write to President TRUMAN in order to have him commute the sentence from the death penalty. Each member present was urged to get his own Club members and sympathizers to write to the President. 870

[REDACTED]  
11/26/52 SA THOMAS E. DYAR  
[REDACTED]

A picket line of LACSJRC was held at Fourth and Hill Streets, Los Angeles, California, in November, 1952, and among the participants were DOROTHY HEALEY and BEN DOBBS. 870

DOROTHY HEALEY has been previously characterized.

BEN DOBBS was convicted in August, 1952, in Los Angeles, California, for conspiracy to violate the Smith Act of 1940.

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[REDACTED]  
SA H. EDWARD WHITE  
[REDACTED]

At a celebration [REDACTED]

BEN MARGOLIS gave a talk stating, "The present Fascistic government trapped in a phoney trial and sentenced to death the ROSENBERGS only because they were Jews, just like in Nazi Germany..." b7D

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7/26/50 and 3/6/51  
SA MARCUS M. BRIGHT  
Orally

BEN MARGOLIS was a member of the CP in Los Angeles

[REDACTED]  
MARGOLIS was an extremely devoted party member who did not question party policy and was sort of a CP "whip" among the professional people in the Communist Party. b7D

[REDACTED]  
SA GEORGE M. GIBSON  
[REDACTED]

At an [REDACTED] Rosenberg Committee meeting [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] It was stated that the ROSENBERG case has proven to be a great problem for the party and that there was a need for important influential people to come out and speak on the case. It was further stated that this has become practically impossible due to the stifled atmosphere of intimidation and fear. At this meeting it was asked what the party was doing nationally to save the ROSENBERGS; whereupon, plans were disclosed to conduct a White House vigil and a picketline around the White House to start December 14, 1952. u b7D

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[REDACTED] b1  
SA JOHN J. DE BELLO  
[REDACTED] b2  
[REDACTED] b1

BEN DOBBS has been previously characterized.

[REDACTED]  
SA E. EDWARD WHITE  
[REDACTED]

At a meeting of the LACSJRC [REDACTED] SELMA BACHALIS explained the legal phases of the ROSENBERG case and HORACE ALEXANDER was a featured speaker. This meeting was chaired by DAVID GREENWALD. b7D

[REDACTED]  
6/14/50  
SA WILLIAM H. VAN LANDINGHAM  
[REDACTED]

In about 1946 or 1947 SELMA BACHALIS was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP. b7D

[REDACTED]  
3/6/51  
SA VINCENT W. HUGHES  
[REDACTED]

HORACE VINCENT ALEXANDER as of March, 1951, was a member in good standing of the LACCP. b7D

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[REDACTED]  
SA GRAHAM A. DAY  
Orally

[REDACTED] 01  
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SA (A) EDMOND F. BRICK  
[REDACTED] 02

One of the speakers at a meeting sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress for the defense of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG held October 24, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, was WILLIAM SCHNLEIDERMAN, Chairman, 13th District, CP, USA.

[REDACTED] 01  
[REDACTED] HURST  
[REDACTED] 02

[REDACTED] 01  
SOPHIE DAVIDSON, OLIVE THOMPSON, and WYNDHAM MORTIMER have been previously characterized.

[REDACTED]  
9/16/52

SA BERNARD M. PTACEK  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
9/16/52

SA BURL P. MIDDENDORF  
[REDACTED] 010

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[REDACTED] 01  
9/24/52

SA WILLIS W. WALL  
[REDACTED] 02

At a meeting of the IACSJRC held September 12, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, California, WILLIAM ESTERMAN acted as Chairman and the following persons delivered speeches:

JOHN HOWARD LAWSON  
MARY HYUN  
HORACE ALEXANDER  
SAMUEL ORNITZ

[REDACTED]  
May, 1947  
SA BERNARR M. PTACEK  
100-1763-1A

WILLIAM ESTERMAN as of May, 1947, was a member of the [REDACTED] IACCF. 070

[REDACTED]  
4/24/51  
SA JOHN M. CASHEL  
100-21198-658, p. 4

JOHN HOWARD LAWSON was the top man in the Communist Party in Hollywood in 1938 and was so regarded until 1945. 070

HORACE ALEXANDER has been previously characterized.

[REDACTED]  
SA JACK D. MORGAN, et al  
100-1763-1B43, Vol. 4, p.s 328, 329  
[REDACTED] 070

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MARTIN BERKELEY, 13208 Wentworth Avenue, Pacoima, in testimony before a Public Session of the House Committee on Un-American Activities in Los Angeles, California, 9/19/51  
100-35715-21

SAM ORNITZ was a member of the Hollywood CP Writers group and became a Communist Party member in Hollywood, California, in 1947.

EXHIBIT #3

12/8/52  
SA ROBERT E. RUSSELL  
100-27030-1A-5

A flier entitled "To Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case, Fact Sheet Number 1" dated March, 1952, and distributed by [REDACTED] b7D

EXHIBIT #1

12/8/52  
SA ROBERT E. RUSSELL  
100-27030-1A-5

An eleven page booklet entitled, "The Letters of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG" distributed by [REDACTED] b7D

EXHIBIT #11

SA JOHN J. DE BELLO  
[REDACTED]

The above mentioned eleven page booklet was also distributed at a regular meeting of the [REDACTED] ACCP, on [REDACTED] b7D



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EXHIBIT #5

12/3/52  
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A booklet entitled, "A Statement on the ROSENBERG Case" by Rabbi DR. MEYER SHARFF distributed by [REDACTED] b7D

EXHIBIT #5

11/3/52  
SA JOHN J. DE BELLO

The booklet entitled, "A Statement on the ROSENBERG Case" was also distributed at a regular meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP, on [REDACTED] b7D

EXHIBIT #6

11/3/52  
SA JOHN J. DE BELLO

A flier entitled, "Message from the Death House" issued by the LACSJRC which was distributed at a regular meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP, on [REDACTED] b7D

EXHIBIT #7  
"Daily People's World" (DPW)  
4/10/52, page 6,  
"ROSENBERGS' DEFENSE IS MELT THEME"

This article announced a coming meeting of the LACSJRC. Listed in this article are numerous sponsors of the committee which will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #8  
DPW, 4/25/52, page 3,  
"10 DAYS LEFT TO AID ROSENBERGS"

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This article announced that there were but ten days left for amicus curiae briefs to reach New York for the Supreme Court appeal on death sentences meted out to JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG on espionage charges. This article also lists the local sponsors of the LACSJRC which will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #9  
DPW, 9/10/52, page 3,  
"THE ROSENBERG CASE:  
WARNING AND CHALLENGE"

This article announced a Rosenberg Defense Rally to be held September 12, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium, 9th and Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, under the sponsorship of the LACSJRC. The article also set out the speakers for the September 12 rally which included JOHN HOWARD LAWSON, SAMUEL ORNITZ, HORACE V. ALEXANDER, and WILLIAM B. ESTERMAN, all of whom have been previously characterized.

EXHIBIT #10  
DPW, 9/11/52, page 4,  
"24 SPONSOR ROSENBERG L.A. MEETING"

This article lists twenty-four prominent Southern Californians as sponsors for a rally to be sponsored by the LACSJRC on September 12, 1952. This list will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #11  
DPW, 1/15/52, page 6,  
"1400 PLEDGE FIGHT TO  
SAVE ROSENBERGS"

This article gave an account of the rally held September 12, 1952, under the sponsorship of the LACSJRC.

EXHIBIT #12  
DPW, 9/12/52, page 3,  
"DEMOS URGED TO ACT FOR ROSENBERGS"

This article announced that more than one thousand

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leaflets in letter form, addressed to President HARRY TRUMAN urging him to save the lives of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG were distributed at the Democratic Headquarters, 542 South Broadway, for members of the Los Angeles Rosenberg Defense Committee and the Civil Rights Congress.

The Civil Rights Congress has been previously characterized.

EXHIBIT #13  
DPW, 12/17/52, page 2,  
"ROSENBERG AD IN UNION PAPER"

This article announced that an advertisement appealing for clemency for ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG appeared in an issue of "Organized Labor," Official Weekly Paper of the San Francisco Building Trades Council.

EXHIBIT #14  
DPW, 12/24/52, page 3,  
"WAREHOUSE LOCAL BACKS ROSENBERGS"

This article stated that Warehouse Local 26 of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union called upon President TRUMAN and President Elect EISENHOWER to grant clemency to ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

EXHIBIT #15  
DPW, 12/26/52, page 3  
"EAST SIDE ROSENBERG RALLY,  
JANUARY 4"

This article announced that an East Side Rally on behalf of clemency for ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG would be staged January 4 at the City Terrace Cultural Center, 3875 City Terrace Drive. This article also contained a list of proposed speakers for the January 4 rally which will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

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EXHIBIT #16  
DPW, 12/31/52, page 3,  
"ROSENBERGS' MEETING SET  
TUESDAY IN LOS ANGELES"

This article announced a meeting to be held at Factor Hall, 6075 West Pico Boulevard, on behalf of the ROSENBERGS. This article also sets out the persons scheduled to head the meeting. These individuals will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #17  
DPW, 1/7/53, page 8,  
"300 MARCH IN LOS ANGELES  
FOR ROSENBERGS"

This article stated that 300 pickets marched in front of City Hall in Los Angeles on January 5, 1953, in silent protest against the scheduled execution of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

EXHIBIT #18  
DPW, 1/8/53, page 3,  
"DAILY NEWS AD BACKS ROSENBERGS"

This article announced a full-page advertisement appealing for public support in the clemency campaign to save ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG from death in the electric chair would appear in the "Daily News".

EXHIBIT #19  
DPW, 1/14/53, page 6,  
"MINORITY GROUP LEADERS  
ADDRESS ROSENBERG MEET"

This article announced that a meeting was held at 420 North Soto Street furthering the campaign for clemency on behalf of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

EXHIBIT #20  
DPW, 1/13/53, page 2,  
"CONGRESSMEN LEARN THE FACTS  
ABOUT CLEMENCY FOR ROSENBERGS"

This article announced that twenty-one Southern

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Californians had journeyed to Washington, D. C., for the purpose of appealing to President TRUMAN for executive clemency. This article also listed the delegates which will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #21  
DPW, 1/2/53, page 3,  
"SCORE TO FLY FROM L.A. TO  
PLEAD FOR ROSENBERGS"

This article listed the delegates from Los Angeles who were to take the plane for Washington in order to call upon President TRUMAN to commute the death sentences of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG. The list of delegates will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #22  
DPW, 1/5/53, page 1,  
"THOUSANDS RALLY TO SAVE ROSENBERGS"

This article announced the arrival of hundreds of delegates in Washington, D. C., for the purpose of urging support for presidential clemency for ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

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Exhibits 7 to 22 contain numerous references to persons mentioned in various "Daily People's World" articles as affiliating with or sponsoring and supporting the LACJRC.

Set out below in chart form are those individuals mentioned in one or more exhibits, along with their past or present affiliation with the Communist Party.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned</u>
Dr. MURRAY ABOWITZ	8, 10
HORACE ALEXANDER	9, 10, 15
SOPHIE DAVIDSON	11, 15
WILLIAM B. ESTERMAN	11, 12
STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN	7, 8, 10, 12
SANFORD GOLDNER	7, 8, 10
MARTIN HALL	10
MARY HYUN	11
JOHN HOWARD LAWSON	9, 11, 16
SARAJO LORD	8, 10
BEN MARGOLIS	14, 16, 19
WYNDHAM MORTIMER	8, 10
SAMUEL ORNITZ	9, 10, 11
OLIVE THOMPSON	8, 10

The above-mentioned individuals have been characterized previously

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Name	Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned
CLEOPHAS BROWN	22
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] b7D
MIRIAM BECKER	18
[REDACTED] advised SA J. ROBERT SULLIVAN on 10/5/49 orally that BECKER was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP.	[REDACTED] b7D
GEORGE BRADOW	19
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] b7D
AL CAPLAN	14
[REDACTED] advised SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON on 9/19/52 orally that CAPLAN was a former member of the LACCP.	[REDACTED] b7D
GUY ENDORE	20
[REDACTED] advised SA MARCUS M. BRIGHT and SA ANDREW JOSEPH DECKER, JR. on 11/7/52 orally that he was affiliated with the Communist Party [REDACTED] and identified ENDORE as a fellow member of the Communist Party.	[REDACTED] b7D
PAULINE EPSTEIN	18
DAVID AARON, Attorney at Law, Buena Park, Orange County, California, in testimony given before a public session of the House Committee on Un-American Activities held at Washington, D. C. on 1/23/52, stated that he was a Communist Party member from November, 1946 until the end of 1948. AARON identified EPSTEIN as a Communist Party member and recalled his having attended Communist Party meetings. (Copy of testimony in 62-1664-1B2(1).)	

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Exhibit Number in  
Which Individual  
is Mentioned

Name

JACK FLIER

8, 10

[redacted] advised SA GEORGE D. THOMSON in July, 1946 that FLIER was a member of the [redacted] LACCP and was named Literature Director for the [redacted] LACCP, as of July, 1946. b7D

JOSEPH HITTLEMAN

18

Dr. LOUISE SILVER LIGHT, Los Angeles physician, testified before a public session of the House Committee on Un-American Activities at Washington, D. C. on 1/21/52 and stated that she was a member of the LACCP from 1939 to 1945. She identified HITTLEMAN as being a member of the LACCP. (Copy of testimony in 62-1604-1E3 (1), p. 50).

NATHAN KAPLAN

18

[redacted] advised SA JACK U. RICHARDSON orally on 4/22/52 that KAPLAN was a member [redacted] of the LACCP as of that date. b7D

ROBERT W. KENNY

7, 8, 12

[redacted] advised SA WILLIAM J. McCAETHY, JR. orally that [redacted]

in the early part of 1942 that ROBERT W. KENNY was a Communist Party member. KENNY was frequently referred to as a Communist. The "Daily Worker" is an East Coast Communist newspaper. b7D

ISAAC LAIDLEY

18

[redacted] advised SA JOHN J. HIGGINS on 2/26/51 that LAIDLEY was a member of the LACCP as of February, 1951. (100-17796A-401). b7D



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<u>Name</u>	<u>Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned</u>
PAUL MAJOR	8, 10
[REDACTED] advised SA KENNETH R. MERRILL orally on 4/3/50 that PAUL MAJOR was a member of the LACCP.	b7D
SYLVIA MAJOR	10
[REDACTED] advised SA KENNETH R. MERRILL on 4/3/50 that SYLVIA MAJOR was a member of the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] LACCP as of that date.	b7D
FREDA MALEN	21
[REDACTED] advised SA JOHN J. HENRY on 6/1/49 orally that MALEN was Educational Director of the [REDACTED] LACCP.	b7D
JOHN McTERNAN	8, 10
[REDACTED]	b7D
MAX SCHOEN	16
[REDACTED]	b7D
CHARLES SCHWARTZ	8
[REDACTED]	b7D

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Name	Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned
HERBERT SIMMONS	8
[redacted] advised SA GEORGE H. SCATTERDAY on 4/3/46 that SIMMONS was a member of the [redacted] LACCP in April of 1946. b7D	
GALE SONDERGAARD	12
[redacted] Miss SONDERGAARD was officially reported [redacted] to be a member of the Communist Party and that she also had been the source of considerable money raising in the cultural section of the Communist Party. b7D	
ART TAKEI	18
[redacted] advised SA's ROBERT R. BROOKSHER and MERLE L. PARKER on 2/27/52 that TAKEI was a member of the [redacted] LACCP during 1947 and 1948. b7D	
JACK TENNER	7, 8
A. MARBURG YERKES, Attorney at Law, 9th and Hill Streets, Los Angeles, California, testified before a public session of the House Committee on Un-American Activities held in Washington, D. C. in the winter of 1952 that JACK TENNER was a member of the Lawyers Branch, LACCP as late as 1949.	
MAURICIO TERRAZAS	18
[redacted] advised SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON on 1/15/51 that TERRAZAS was a member of the LACCP. b7D	
JOHN WEXLEY	16
[redacted] stated that he recalled WEXLEY as being a member of the Communist Party in Hollywood. b7D	

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned</u>
WILLIE LESTER WISE	22
[REDACTED] advised SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON on 11/21/52 that WISE was a member of [REDACTED] LACCP [REDACTED] 070	
MARIE WRIGHT	18
[REDACTED] advised SA CHARLES M. PAGE on 7/10/50 that MARIE WRIGHT was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP as of [REDACTED] 020 July, 1950 [REDACTED]	

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VIII. EXTENT TO WHICH THE POLICY OF AND POSITION TAKEN  
BY THE ORGANIZATION DOES NOT DEVIATE FROM THE COMMUNIST PARTY LINE

Exhibit 23  
DPW, 3/21/52  
Page 3 and Page 6 Column 3  
"Anti-Semitism in the Rosenberg Case"

"The death sentence in the ROSENBERG case is part of the cold war Fascist tactics and anti-Semitism in the United States. This is a method whereby the Government is advancing the anti-Communist hysteria."

Exhibit 24  
DPW, 4/29/52  
Page 3 and Page 6  
"Rosenberg Edict Perils All of Us"

WILLIAM REUBEN (characterized above) stated that the United States foreign policy and the United States press has built up a myth of secrecy concerning the atomic bomb and when the public learned of the Soviet atom bomb explosion the press began clamoring for spies.

Exhibit 25  
DPW, 5/5/52  
Page 5  
Editorial "The Rosenbergs"

"The precedent of a death penalty in the Rosenberg frame-up threatens the civil liberties of all and creates dangerous possibilities for further attempted death sentences for espionage, for peace advocates and political dissenters. The execution of the Rosenbergs will undoubtedly swell the already alarming torrent of anti-Semitic prejudice and violence."

Exhibit 26  
DPW, 10/16/52  
Page 1  
Editorial "Tale of a President: They Must Die"

1. "The Rosenbergs are victims of calculated war hysteria.
2. "They are victims of that base rejection of precedent, known as anti-Communism.

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3. "They are the victims of a foul and insidious anti-Semitism that penetrates deeper into the fabric of national life because a reactionary war drive needs scapegoats, and must summon forth and fan ancient prejudices.

4. "They are victims of a unhuman sadism that must be carefully nurtured by those who wish to dull the revulsion of the people of the horrors of an atomic war, to the massacres in Korea."

Exhibit 27

DPW, 10/17/52

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"Alexander Asked Truman to Aid Rosenbergs"

HORACE V. ALEXANDER, characterized above, is quoted as stating Jim Crow and anti-Semitism are instituted to keep the people divided, create religious and racial hatreds, and to be a smoke screen to hide the real issues and a weapon to frighten the people into accepting the present status quo into a drive toward World War III.

Exhibit 28

DPW, 10/22/52

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"Julius Rosenberg Writes From the Death  
House: Let Us Hear the People Answer"

"The trial of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg was a frame-up which was held in an atmosphere of war and anti-Communist hysteria."

Exhibit 29

DPW, 12/23/52

Page 1

"One Thousand Marched in the Rain. . ."

WILLIAM PATTERSON, Chairman of the Civil Rights Congress, told a crowd outside of Sing Sing Prison that a million in Europe, Asia and Africa as well as the United States are determined that this cold war crime shall not take place.

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Exhibit 30

DPW, 1/9/53

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Editorial "Every Voice Counts"

Urges everyone to appeal to President TRUMAN for executive clemency for the ROSENBERGS "to keep the reputation of our country from being stained forever with this blood sacrifice to war hysteria." U

Exhibit 31

[REDACTED]

12/17/52

SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

100-41648-1a68

A four-page newspaper-type pamphlet reflecting several articles including "Did the Cold War Doom the Rosenbergs?, Jewish Aspects of a Case Stir Wide Scale Protest," issued by the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 515 West 41st Place, Los Angeles 37, California. 670

Exhibit 32

[REDACTED]

8/4/52

SA THOMAS H. MOORE

100-41648-1a47

Pamphlet advertising an open-air meeting on August 2, 1952, under the auspices of the Westside Chapter of the Civil Rights Congress reflecting the ROSENBERG Case occurred in a period of increasing anti-Semitism and attacks on the Negro and Mexican people and the foreign-born. U 670

Exhibit 33

[REDACTED]

8/4/52

SA THOMAS H. MOORE

100-41648-1a18

Throwaway entitled "Let's Not Have a Dreyfus Case in America," reflecting the ROSENBERGS were chosen because they were progressives as well as members of a minority group and could be fitted into the role of "Communist spies." U 670

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Exhibit 34

[REDACTED]  
Los Angeles, California  
5/22/52  
SA VINCENT J. O'NEILL  
100-41648-1a15

A letter [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] for the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG case, reflecting that "like Dreyfus, the Rosenbergs were selected as victims in this turbulent of witch hunting because they happen to be Jews of progressive convictions." 870

Exhibit 35

[REDACTED]  
12/23/52  
SA SIDNEY M. WOLF  
[REDACTED]

Exhibit 36

[REDACTED]  
4/25/52  
SA ROBERT G. LAMB  
100-41648A-13

A letter addressed "Dear Friend" from SOPHIE DAVIDSON (characterized above) reflecting the question could it be that the death sentence for the ROSENBERGS resulted because the judge was a Jew and was trying to prove that Jews are 200% Americans. 870

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Exhibit 37  
[REDACTED]

11/14/52

SA BERNARR M. PIACEK  
[REDACTED]

Press release sent to numerous foreign editors reflecting a verdict of guilty was obviously the result not of evidence and testimony but of MC CARTHY-MC CARRAN cold war hysteria which surrounded the ROSENBERG case. This release stated that the ROSENBERGs consistently denied membership in the Communist Party, but they were political nonconformist. B7D

The following information is set forth concerning individuals set out above as potential witnesses and available to testify.

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The DPW is a west coast Communist newspaper.



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INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950  
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Set forth below, in accordance with the provisions of referenced letter, is the pertinent information available in the files of this Office with regard to the subject organization.

All sources set forth are of known reliability, and an asterisk next to a source indicates that the source is currently active as an informant and cannot be exposed or is a person unwilling to testify. In all other instances the informant or source is considered as a potential witness and appropriate background data concerning the sources are set forth under a separate section at the conclusion of this letter.

The file numbers set forth indicate the location of the original exhibit in the Los Angeles file.

The exhibits taken from the "Daily People's World" are from the Los Angeles edition, which in some instances differs from the San Francisco edition. All such exhibits are photostatic copies--the originals of which can be introduced as evidence by the Chief Librarian, Library of Congress, Washington, D. C.

The information set forth below applies to the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case (LACSJFC). Where the subject organization is referred to, it will be as the NCJFC.

The Los Angeles County Communist Party will be referred to in this letter as the LACCP.

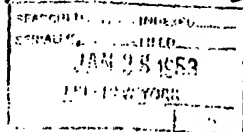
All information received from informants was by written report unless otherwise stated, and unless otherwise specified all informants are of known reliability.

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Inasmuch as this Office is currently in the process of preparing an organizational report concerning the subject organization, information suitable for incorporation in a summary investigative report to be prepared by New York is not being submitted.

*See 293*  
I. AVAILABLE EVIDENCE TO SHOW ORGANIZATION  
SUBSTANTIALLY DOMINATED BY THE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA

*T-60*  
[REDACTED] SA THOMAS H. MOORE

At a meeting [REDACTED] of the LACSJRC [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] DOROTHY HEALEY made a speech to this Committee concern-  
ing its work. She also addressed the group concerning a coming LACSJRC meeting  
setting out how the meeting should be run and what each member must do to  
make it a success. *070*

DOROTHY HEALEY was convicted in August, 1952, in Los Angeles, for  
conspiracy to violate the Smith Act of 1940.

*461*  
[REDACTED]  
10/30/52 SA PAYMON P. KISBAUM

*442*  
[REDACTED]  
11/10/52 SA THOMAS W. CRAWFORD

*453*  
[REDACTED]  
12/10/52 SA THOMAS W. CRAWFORD

At a meeting sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress (CRC) held  
October 24, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, California,  
WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN, Chairman, 13th District, Communist Party, USA, spoke  
of the prosecution and brutal treatment given the ROSENBERGS by the Federal  
Bureau of Investigation. SCHNEIDERMAN led the rally to raise money for  
the ROSENBERGS. *070*

The CRC has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within  
the purview of Executive Order 9835.

II. ORIGIN OF ORGANIZATION

8/21/52 SA FLOYD F. PUPVIS

At the Midwest Conference on the ROSENBERG Case held under the auspices of the Chicago Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case on August 16 and 17, 1952, in Chicago, Illinois, DAVID ALMAN, National Executive Secretary of the ROSENBERG Case, stated: "that the LACCSJRC was started by Mrs. DAVIDSON with a group of seven progressives who wrote New York. Miss PENNINGTON sent a list of local persons who had contacted the New York office which totaled 37 names in January or February of 1952. They felt that the most correct position to take in the ROSENBERG Case was that the ROSENBERGS were innocent."

The above information was extracted from a Chicago memorandum, dated December 5, 1952, captioned NCSJRC--a copy of which is in possession of New York, file 100-107111.

III. PROOF OF EXISTENCE AFTER 9/23/50

As is set out in "II", this organization was formed, as presently constituted, subsequent to September 23, 1950. All information set forth in this letter may be submitted as evidence that the LACCSJRC existed subsequent to that date.

IV. NATIONAL OFFICERS - PAST AND PRESENT

SA HARRY H. WHIDBEE

CPally

At a conference held by the LACCSJRC in Los Angeles  
DAVID ALMAN was introduced as Secretary of the NCSJ.C.

V. BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

A search of information available to this Office has been made, but nothing of an admissible nature pertinent to this section was located.

VI. COMMUNIST PARTY AFFILIATION OF OFFICERS - NATIONAL AND LOCAL

No information of an admissible nature concerning the Communist Party affiliation of national officers of the subject organization is in the possession of this Office.

Local officers are set forth below:

Exhibit 41



Los Angeles, California  
1/15/53 SA WILLIAM LEE McDERMOTT  
100-41648-1A-20

An open letter addressed "Dear Friends," bearing the letterhead Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case, 406 South Main Street, Los Angeles, California, reflects SOPHIE DAVIDSON as Los Angeles Chairman and HARRY DIERCK as Organizational Secretary of this group. The following individuals were among those listed as partial sponsors of this organization:

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Dr. HUPFAY ABOWITZ  
Reverend STEPHEN H. FRITZMAN  
Dr. SANFORD GOLDNER  
MARTIN HALL  
SARAJO LORD  
WYNDRAK MOPTIMER  
OLIVE THOMPSON

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12/8/49 SA VERNON D. JENSEN  
Orally

As of December 5, 1949, SOPHIE DAVIDSON was Educational Director and Literature Director [REDACTED] LACCP. b7D

6/1/51 SA JULIAN R. BLODGETT, Et Al  
100-1763-1B43-H- Vol. 1, P. 91

As of August, 1951, HARRY PIERCE expressed a desire to enter the LACCP, and at that time was looked upon favorably by the LACCP. b7D

Dr. LOUISE SILVER LIGHT  
in testimony before a Public  
Session of the House Committee  
on Un-American Activities,  
Washington, D. C.  
1/21/52  
100-20663-22:

Dr. LOUISE SILVER LIGHT stated under oath that she had been an active member of the LACCP from 1939 to 1945. She stated further that Dr. MURRAY ABRONITZ was known to her to have been a member of the LACCP during the period of her membership.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] b7D  
STEPHEN FRITCHMAN was a member of the Communist Party [REDACTED] b7D

8/25/50 SA H. FARLING OVERTON  
100-22873-184

SAMYOND GOLDNER was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP, as of August, 1950. b7D

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11/24/51 SA BERNARD M. PTACEK

As of November, 1951, MARTIN HALL was Chairman of the Science and Education Division of the Hollywood Arts, Sciences, and Professions Council (HASPC). b7D

[redacted] advised Special Agent MARCUS M. BRIGHT on February 20, 1951, that the HASPC, which is the Southern California Chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences, and Professions, was the most important Communist controlled organization in the Hollywood professional field at that time, and its policies parallel the Communist Party line on all important issues. Membership in the HASPC, of itself, however, does not connote membership in or sympathy with the Communist Party. b7D

October, 1949 SA J. ROBERT SULLIVAN  
100-18782-D

SARAJO LOFD was a member of the [redacted] LACCP, from 1947 to 1949. b7D

8/49 SA IRVING T. WEEKS  
Orally

EDMUND MORTIMER in February, 1949, was assigned to the [redacted] LACCP. b7D

6/11/52 SA JOHN F. McHUGH  
Orally

As of June, 1952, OLIVE THOMPSON was a member of the LACCP. b7D

Exhibit #2  
[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

6/25/52 SA THOMAS E. BRYANT  
100-41648-1A-26 b7D

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A flyer entitled "Los Angeles Falls to the ROSENBERGs," announcing a meeting to be sponsored by LACJRC on September 12, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium listed as among the partial list of sponsors those individuals set out and characterized under Exhibit #1.

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SA WILLIAM J. NOLAN, JR.  
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SA VERNON D. JENSEN  
Orally

STELLA BIBER attended numerous meetings of the LACCP, during 1946. 010


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SA THOMAS H. MOORE


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SOPHIE DAVIDSON has been previously characterized.

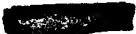
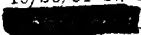
10/21/52 SA KENNETH F. MERRILL  
100-32672-1A-1


GEORGE BELL is a member of the CRC in Los Angeles for the year 1952-1953. The CRC has been previously characterized. 870



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April, 1948 SA VERNON D. JENSEN  
Orally

FRIEDA SAPERSTEIN was a member of the  LACCP. 870  
as of April, 1948. 75

  
10/26/51 SA SIDNEY M. WOLF  


ROSALIE SCHNEFIELD was a member   
of the CRC in Los Angeles as of October, 1951. 870

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SA TIMOTHY L. DONOVAN, Et Al  
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[REDACTED] SA HARRY H. WHIDBEE

[REDACTED] 070  
SAFAJO LORD has been previously characterized.

VII. EXTENT TO WHICH SUPPORT, FINANCIAL  
OR OTHERWISE, IS DERIVED FROM THE COMMUNIST PARTY

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[REDACTED] SA ALEX M. HUEST

At a meeting of [REDACTED] LACCP,  
[REDACTED] it was discussed whether  
it was more important at the moment to spare the ROSENBERGS' lives at the  
expense of presuming their guilt or to fight for an innocent verdict. 070

77  
[REDACTED] SA JOHN J. DE BELLO  
Orally

At a Communist Party Club meeting [REDACTED] it was  
announced by the Club Educational Director that the next issue to be dealt  
upon by the Party, after the elections, was the ROSENBERG Case. 070

78  
[REDACTED] SA JOHN J. DE BELLO  
Orally

Two hundred pamphlets concerning the ROSENBERG Case were folded  
and addressed at a regular meeting [REDACTED] 070

79  
[REDACTED] SA H. PAULINE OVEPTON

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At a meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP, it was announced that all Comrades in union and mass organizations were to send wires to President TRUMAN pleading for clemency on behalf of the ROSENBERGS. 070

SA JOHN J. DE BELLO

[REDACTED] 070

SA ICEALINUS A. HALL

At a meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP, it was announced that a meeting would be held to protest the execution of the ROSENBERGS on the following Thursday evening at the Embassy Auditorium in Los Angeles and that all the Club members were to attend the rally instead of attending the regular Communist Party Club meeting. 070

SA JOHN J. DE BELLO

LACCP, stated [REDACTED] that an effort should be made to be present at a meeting to be held at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, on November 20, 1952, --the purpose of which was a rally for the ROSENBERGS. 070

11/30/52 SA JOHN J. DE BELLO

At a meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP [REDACTED] stated that the main issues were Peace and the ROSENBERG Case. 070

176  
[REDACTED] ALPH H. HURST

At a regular meeting of [REDACTED] it was announced  
LACCP, [REDACTED] that there would be a protest rally for the ROSENBERGS held October 24,  
1952, and all members should attend, if possible. b7D

180  
[REDACTED] THOMAS E. DYAR

At a meeting held [REDACTED]  
DOROTHY HEALEY spoke concerning the ROSENBERG trial and the  
sentencing of the ROSENBERGS to death. HEALEY urged everyone present at  
this meeting to appear in a picket line which was to be conducted in Los  
Angeles on November 22, 1952, to protest the sentencing of the ROSENBERGS. b7D

DOROTHY HEALEY has been previously characterized.

191  
[REDACTED] JOHN D. WALLACE

[REDACTED] means for  
helping the ROSENBERGS' stay of execution were discussed. It was also  
stated at this meeting that the LYL is a youth group studying Marxist-Leninist  
theories, but the Communist Party, as leader in the Labor Movement, sets  
a pattern for it to follow. b7D

The LYL has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within  
the purview of Executive Order 9835.

199  
[REDACTED] ICEALUIS A. HALL

[REDACTED] b7D

11/26/52 SA GEORGE M. GIBSON

At a meeting of the [REDACTED] the ROSENBERG Case was discussed, and it was decided to write to President TRUMAN in order to have him commute the sentence from the death penalty. Each member present was urged to get his own Club members and sympathizers to write to the President.

11/26/52 SA THOMAS E. DYAR

A picket line of LACJPC was held at Fourth and Hill Streets, Los Angeles, California, in November, 1952, and among the participants were DOROTHY HEALEY and BEN DOBBS. b7D

DOROTHY HEALEY has been previously characterized.

BEN DOBBS was convicted in August, 1952, in Los Angeles, California, for conspiracy to violate the Smith Act of 1940.

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83  
[REDACTED]  
SA H. EDWARD WHITE  
[REDACTED]

At a celebration [REDACTED]

BEN MARGOLIS gave a talk stating, "The present Fascistic government trapped in a phoney trial and sentenced to death the ROSENBERGS only because they were Jews, just like in Nazi Germany..." 870

84  
[REDACTED]  
7/26/50 and 3/6/51  
SA MARCUS M. BRIGHT  
Orally

BEN MARGOLIS was a member of the CP in Los Angeles

[REDACTED]  
MARGOLIS was an extremely devoted party member who did not question party policy and was sort of a CP "whip" among the professional people in the Communist Party. 870

85  
[REDACTED]  
SA MARCUS M. GIBSON  
[REDACTED]

At an [REDACTED] Rosenberg Committee meeting [REDACTED]

It was stated that the ROSENBERG case has proven to be a great problem for the party and that there was a need for important influential people to come out and speak on the case. It was further stated that this has become practically impossible due to the stifled atmosphere of intimidation and fear. At this meeting it was asked what the party was doing nationally to save the ROSENBERGS; whereupon, plans were disclosed to conduct a White House vigil and a picketline around the White House to start December 14, 1952. 870

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[REDACTED] 86  
SA JOHN J. DE BELLO  
[REDACTED] 02  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] 01

BEN DOBBS has been previously characterized.

[REDACTED] 87  
SA H. EDWARD WHITE  
[REDACTED]

At a meeting of the LACSIJC [REDACTED] SELMA BACHLIS explained the legal aspects of the ROSENBERG case and HORACE ALEXANDER was a featured speaker. This meeting was chaired by DAVID GREENWALD. 88 070

6/14/50

SA WILLIAM H. VAN LANDINGHAM  
[REDACTED]

In about 1946 or 1947 SELMA BACHLIS was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP. 070

3/6/51

SA VINCENT W. HUGHES  
[REDACTED]

HORACE VINCENT ALEXANDER as of March, 1951, was a member in good standing of the LACCP. 070

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[REDACTED]  
SA GRAHAM A. DAY  
Orally

11/13/52  
SA (A) EDMOND F. BRICK  
[REDACTED]

One of the speakers at a meeting sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress for the defense of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG held October 24, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, was WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN, Chairman, 13th District, CP, USA.

SA ALEX M. HURST  
[REDACTED]

SOPHIE DAVIDSON, OLIVE THOMPSON, and WYNDHAM MORTIMER have been previously characterized.

9/16/52  
SA BERNARR M. PTACEK  
[REDACTED]

9/16/52  
SA EURL P. MIDDENDORF  
[REDACTED]

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9/24/52  
SA WILLIS W. WALL

At a meeting of the LACSJRC held September 12, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, California, WILLIAM ESTERMAN acted as Chairman and the following persons delivered speeches:

JOHN HOWARD LAWSON  
MARY HYUN  
HORACE ALEXANDER  
SAMUEL ORNITZ

May, 1947  
SA BERNARR M. PTACEK  
100-1763-1A

WILLIAM ESTERMAN as of May, 1947, was a member of LACCF.  
the

4/24/51  
SA JOHN M. CASHEL  
100-21198-658, p. 4

JOHN HOWARD LAWSON was the top man in the Communist Party in Hollywood in 1938 and was so regarded until 1945.

HORACE ALEXANDER has been previously characterized.

SA JACK D. MORGAN, et al  
100-1763-1B43, Vol. 4, p.s 328, 329



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MARTIN BERKELEY, 13208 Wentworth  
Avenue, Pacoima, in testimony before  
a Public Session of the House  
Committee on Un-American Activities  
in Los Angeles, California,  
9/19/51  
100-34715-21

SAM ORNITZ was a member of the Hollywood CP Writers  
group and became a Communist Party member in Hollywood, Cali-  
fornia, in 1947.

EXHIBIT #3 95

12/8/52  
SA ROBERT E. RUSSELL  
100-27030-1A-5

A flier entitled "To Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG  
Case, Fact Sheet Number 1" dated March, 1952, and distributed  
by [REDACTED] 070

EXHIBIT #4 95

12/8/52  
SA ROBERT E. RUSSELL  
100-27030-1A-5

An eleven page booklet entitled, "The Letters of  
JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG" distributed by [REDACTED] 070

EXHIBIT #5 77

SA JOHN J. DE BELLO  
[REDACTED]

The above mentioned eleven page booklet was also  
distributed at a regular meeting of the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] LACCP, on [REDACTED] 070

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EXHIBIT #5

12/8/52  
100-27030-1A-5

A booklet entitled, "A Statement on the ROSENBERG Case" by Rabbi DR. MEYER SHARFF distributed by [REDACTED]

EXHIBIT #5

11/3/52  
SA JOHN J. DE BELLO

The booklet entitled, "A Statement on the ROSENBERG Case" was also distributed at a regular meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP, on [REDACTED]

EXHIBIT #6

11/3/52  
SA JOHN J. DE BELLO

A flier entitled, "Message from the Death House" issued by the LACCP which was distributed at a regular meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP, on [REDACTED]

EXHIBIT #7

"Daily People's World" (DPW)  
4/10/52, page 6,  
"ROSENBERGS' DEFENSE IS MET THERE"

This article announced a coming meeting of the LACCP. Listed in this article are numerous sponsors of the committee which will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #8

DPW, 4/25/52, page 3,  
"10 DAYS LEFT TO AID ROSENBERGS"

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This article announced that there were but ten days left for amicus curiae briefs to reach New York for the Supreme Court appeal on death sentences meted out to JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG on espionage charges. This article also lists the local sponsors of the LACSJRC which will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #9  
DPW, 9/10/52, page 3,  
"THE ROSENBERG CASE:  
WARNING AND CHALLENGE"

This article announced a Rosenberg Defense Rally to be held September 12, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium, 9th and Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, under the sponsorship of the LACSJRC. The article also set out the speakers for the September 12 rally which included JOHN HOWARD LAWSON, SAMUEL ORNITZ, HORACE V. ALEXANDER, and WILLIAM B. ESTERMAN, all of whom have been previously characterized.

EXHIBIT #10  
DPW, 9/11/52, page 4,  
"24 SPONSOR ROSENBERG L.A. MEETING"

This article lists twenty-four prominent Southern Californians as sponsors for a rally to be sponsored by the LACSJRC on September 12, 1952. This list will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #11  
DPW, 1/15/52, page 6,  
"1400 PLEDGE FIGHT TO  
SAVE ROSENBERGS"

This article gave an account of the rally held September 12, 1952, under the sponsorship of the LACSJRC.

EXHIBIT #12  
DPW, 9/12/52, page 3,  
"DEMOS URGED TO ACT FOR ROSENBERGS"

This article announced that more than one thousand

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leaflets in letter form, addressed to President HARRY TRUMAN urging him to save the lives of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG were distributed at the Democratic Headquarters, 542 South Broadway, for members of the Los Angeles Rosenberg Defense Committee and the Civil Rights Congress.

The Civil Rights Congress has been previously characterized.

EXHIBIT #13  
DPW, 12/17/52, page 2,  
"ROSENBERG AD IN UNION PAPER"

This article announced that an advertisement appealing for clemency for ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG appeared in an issue of "Organized Labor," Official Weekly Paper of the San Francisco Building Trades Council.

EXHIBIT #14  
DPW, 12/24/52, page 3,  
"WAREHOUSE LOCAL BACKS ROSENBERGS"

This article stated that Warehouse Local 26 of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union called upon President TRUMAN and President Elect EISENHOWER to grant clemency to ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

EXHIBIT #15  
DPW, 12/26/52, page 3  
"EAST SIDE ROSENBERG RALLY,  
JANUARY 4"

This article announced that an East Side Rally on behalf of clemency for ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG would be staged January 4 at the City Terrace Cultural Center, 3875 City Terrace Drive. This article also contained a list of proposed speakers for the January 4 rally which will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

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EXHIBIT #16  
DPW, 12/31/52, page 3,  
"ROSENBERGS' MEETING SET  
TUESDAY IN LOS ANGELES"

This article announced a meeting to be held at Factor Hall, 6075 West Pico Boulevard, on behalf of the ROSENBERGS. This article also sets out the persons scheduled to head the meeting. These individuals will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #17  
DPW, 1/7/53, page 8,  
"300 MARCH IN LOS ANGELES  
FOR ROSENBERGS"

This article stated that 300 pickets marched in front of City Hall in Los Angeles on January 5, 1953, in silent protest against the scheduled execution of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

EXHIBIT #18  
DPW, 1/8/53, page 3,  
"DAILY NEWS AD BACKS ROSENBERGS"

This article announced a full-page advertisement appealing for public support in the clemency campaign to save ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG from death in the electric chair would appear in the "Daily News".

EXHIBIT #19  
DPW, 1/14/53, page 6,  
"MINORITY GROUP LEADERS  
ADDRESS ROSENBERG MEET"

This article announced that a meeting was held at 420 North Soto Street furthering the campaign for clemency on behalf of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

EXHIBIT #20  
DPW, 1/13/53, page 2,  
"CONGRESSMEN LEARN THE FACTS  
ABOUT CLEMENCY FOR ROSENBERGS"

This article announced that twenty-one Southern

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Californians had journeyed to Washington, D. C., for the purpose of appealing to President TRUMAN for executive clemency. This article also listed the delegates which will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

✓ EXHIBIT #21  
DPW, 1/2/53, page 3,  
"SCORE TO FLY FROM L.A. TO  
PLEAD FOR ROSENBERGS"

This article listed the delegates from Los Angeles who were to take the plane for Washington in order to call upon President TRUMAN to commute the death sentences of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG. The list of delegates will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #22  
DPW, 1/4/53, page 1,  
"THOUSANDS RALLY TO SAVE ROSENBERGS"

This article announced the arrival of hundreds of delegates in Washington, D. C., for the purpose of urging support for presidential clemency for ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

Exhibits 7 to 22 contain numerous references to persons mentioned in various "Daily People's World" articles as affiliating with or sponsoring and supporting the LACJRC.

Set out below in chart form are those individuals mentioned in one or more exhibits, along with their past or present affiliation with the Communist Party.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned</u>
Dr. MURRAY ABOWITZ	8, 10
HORACE ALEXANDER	9, 10, 15
SOPHIE DAVIDSON	11, 15
WILLIAM B. ESTERMAN	11, 12
STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN	7, 8, 10, 12
SANFORD GOLDNER	7, 8, 10
MARTIN HALL	10
MARY HYUN	11
JOHN HOWARD LARSON	9, 11, 18
SARAJO LORD	8, 10
BEN MARCOLIS	14, 18, 19
WYNDHAM MORTIMER	8, 10
SAMUEL ORNITZ	9, 10, 11
OLIVE THOMPSON	8, 10

The above-mentioned individuals have been characterized previously.

Name	Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned
CLEOPHAS BROWN 68	22
[REDACTED]	
MIRIAM BECKER 71	15
[REDACTED] advised SA J. ROBERT SULLIVAN on 10/5/49 orally that BECKER was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP.	
GEORGE BRADOW 68	19
[REDACTED]	
AL CAPLAN 68	14
[REDACTED] advised SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON on 9/19/52 orally that CAPLAN was a former member of the LACCP.	
GUY ENDORE	20
[REDACTED] advised SA MARCUS M. BRIGHT and SA ANDREW JOSEPH BECKER, JR. on 11/1/52 orally that he was affiliated with the Communist Party [REDACTED] and identified ENDORE as a fellow member of the Communist Party.	
PAULINE EPSTEIN	18
DAVID AARON, Attorney at Law, Buena Park, Orange County, California, in testimony given before a public session of the House Committee on Un-American Activities held at Washington, D. C. on 1/23/52, stated that he was a Communist Party member from November, 1946 until the end of 1948. AARON identified EPSTEIN as a Communist Party member and recalled his having attended Communist Party meetings. (Copy of testimony in 62-1664-1B2(1).)	



Exhibit Number in  
Which Individual  
is Mentioned

Name	Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned
JACK FLIER	8, 10
[REDACTED] advised SA GEORGE D. THOMSON in July, 1946 that FLIER was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP and was named Literature Director for the [REDACTED] LACCP, as of July, 1946.	870
JOSEPH HITTLEMAN	18
Dr. LOUISE SILVER LIGHT, Los Angeles physician, testified before a public session of the House Committee on Un-American Activities at Washington, D. C. on 1/21/52 and stated that she was a member of the LACCP from 1939 to 1945. She identified HITTLEMAN as being a member of the LACCP. (Copy of testimony in 62-1604-1B3 (1), p. 50).	
NATHAN KAPLAN	18
[REDACTED] advised SA JACK U. RICHARDSON orally on 4/22/52 that KAPLAN was a member [REDACTED] of the LACCP as of that date.	870
ROBERT W. KENNY	7, 8, 12
[REDACTED] advised SA WILLIAM J. [REDACTED] orally that [REDACTED] in the early part of 1942 that ROBERT W. KENNY was a Communist Party member. KENNY was frequently referred to as a Communist. The "Daily Worker" is an East Coast Communist newspaper.	870
ISAAC LAIDLAY	18
[REDACTED] advised SA JOHN J. HIGGINS on 2/26/51 that LAIDLAY was a member of the LACCP as of February, 1951. (100-17796A-601).	870

Exhibit Number in  
Which Individual  
is Mentioned

Name	Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned
PAUL MAJOR 99	8, 10
[REDACTED] advised SA KENNETH R. MERRILL orally on 4/3/50 that PAUL MAJOR was a member of the LACCP.	070
SYLVIA MAJOR 99	10
[REDACTED] advised SA KENNETH R. MERRILL on 4/3/50 that SYLVIA MAJOR was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP as of that date.	070
FREDA MALEN 100	21
[REDACTED] advised SA JOHN J. HENRY on 6/1/49 orally that MALEN was Educational Director of the [REDACTED] LACCP.	070
JOHN McFERNAN 101	8, 10
[REDACTED]	070
MAX SCHOEN 80	16
[REDACTED]	070
CHARLES SCHWARTZ 96	8
[REDACTED]	070

Name	Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned
HERBERT SIMMONS	8
[REDACTED] advised SA GEORGE H. SCATTERDAY on 4/3/46 that SIMMONS was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP in April of 1946.	870
GALE SONDERGAARD	12
[REDACTED] Miss SONDERGAARD was officially reported [REDACTED] to be a member of the Communist Party and that she also had been the source of considerable money raising in the cultural section of the Communist Party.	870
ART TAKEI	102 18
[REDACTED] advised SA's ROBERT R. BROOKSHER and MERLE L. PARKER on 2/27/52 that TAKEI was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP during 1947 and 1948.	870
JACK TENNER	7, 8
A. MARBURG YERKES, Attorney at Law, 9th and Hill Streets, Los Angeles, California, testified before a public session of the House Committee on Un-American Activities held in Washington, D. C. in the winter of 1952 that JACK TENNER was a member of the Lawyers Branch, LACCP as late as 1949.	
MAURICIO TERRAZAS	- 68 18
[REDACTED] advised SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON on 1/15/51 that TERRAZAS was a member of the LACCP.	870
JOHN WEXLEY	94 16
[REDACTED] stated that he recalled WEXLEY as being a member of the Communist Party in Hollywood.	870

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Exhibit Number in  
Which Individual  
is Mentioned

Name

WILLIE LESTER WISE

68

22

[REDACTED] advised SA H. RAWLINS GIBSTON on 11/21/52 that  
WISE was a member of [REDACTED]  
LACCP [REDACTED]

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MARIE WRIGHT

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[REDACTED] advised SA CHARLES M. PAGE on 7/10/50 that MARIE  
WRIGHT was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP as of  
July, 1950 [REDACTED]

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VIII. EXTENT TO WHICH THE POLICY OF AND POSITION TAKEN  
BY THE ORGANIZATION DOES NOT DEVIATE FROM THE COMMUNIST PARTY LINE

Exhibit 23  
DPW, 3/21/52  
Page 3 and Page 6 Column 3  
"Anti-Semitism in the Rosenberg Case"

"The death sentence in the ROSENBERG case is part of the cold war  
Fascist tactics and anti-Semitism in the United States. This is a method  
whereby the Government is advancing the anti-Communist hysteria."

Exhibit 24  
DPW, 4/29/52  
Page 3 and Page 6  
"Rosenberg Edict Perils All of Us"

WILLIAM REUBEN (characterized above) stated that the United States  
foreign policy and the United States press has built up a myth of secrecy  
concerning the atomic bomb and when the public learned of the Soviet atom  
bomb explosion the press began clamoring for spies.

Exhibit 25  
DPW, 6/6/52  
Page 5  
Editorial "The Rosenbergs"

"The precedent of a death penalty in the Rosenberg frame-up  
threatens the civil liberties of all and creates dangerous possibilities  
for further attempted death sentences for espionage, for peace advocates  
and political dissenters. The execution of the Rosenbergs will undoubtedly  
swell the already alarming torrent of anti-Semitic prejudice and violence."

Exhibit 26  
DPW, 10/16/52  
Page 1  
Editorial "Tale of a President: They Must Die"

1. "The Rosenbergs are victims of calculated war hysteria.
2. "They are victims of that base rejection of precedent, known  
as anti-Communism.

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3. "They are the victims of a foul and insidious anti-Semitism that penetrates deeper into the fabric of national life because a reactionary war drive needs scapegoats, and must summon forth and fan ancient prejudices.

4. "They are victims of a unhuman sadism that must be carefully nurtured by those who wish to dull the revulsion of the people of the horrors of an atomic war, to the massacres in Korea."

Exhibit 27

DPW, 10/17/52

Page 3

"Alexander Asked Truman to Aid Rosenbergs"

HORACE V. ALEXANDER, characterized above, is quoted as stating Jim Crow and anti-Semitism are instituted to keep the people divided, create religious and racial hatreds, and to be a smoke screen to hide the real issues and a weapon to frighten the people into accepting the present status quo into a drive toward World War III.

Exhibit 28

DPW, 10/22/52

Page 2

"Julius Rosenberg Writes From the Death House: Let Us Hear the People Answer"

"The trial of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg was a frame-up which was held in an atmosphere of war and anti-Communist hysteria."

Exhibit 29

DPW, 12/23/52

Page 1

"One Thousand Marched in the Rain. . ."

WILLIAM PATTERSON, Chairman of the Civil Rights Congress, told a crowd outside of Sing Sing Prison that a million in Europe, Asia and Africa as well as the United States are determined that this cold war crime shall not take place.

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Exhibit 30

DPW, 1/9/53

Page 5

Editorial "Every Voice Counts"

Urges everyone to appeal to President TRUMAN for executive clemency for the ROSENBERGS "to keep the reputation of our country from being stained forever with this blood sacrifice to war hysteria."

Exhibit 31

[REDACTED]

12/17/52

SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

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A four-page newspaper-type pamphlet reflecting several articles including "Did the Cold War Doom the Rosenbergs?, Jewish Aspects of a Case Stir Wide Scale Protest," issued by the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 515 West 41st Place, Los Angeles 37, California. b7D

Exhibit 32

[REDACTED]

8/4/52

SA THOMAS H. MOORE

100-41648-1a47

Pamphlet advertising an open-air meeting on August 2, 1952, under the auspices of the Westside Chapter of the Civil Rights Congress reflecting the ROSENBERG Case occurred in a period of increasing anti-Semitism and attacks on the Negro and Mexican people and the foreign-born. b7D

Exhibit 33

[REDACTED]

8/4/52

SA THOMAS H. MOORE

100-41648-1a18

Throwaway entitled "Let's Not Have a Dreyfus Case in America," reflecting the ROSENBERGS were chosen because they were progressives as well as members of a minority group and could be fitted into the role of "Communist spies." b7D

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Exhibit 34

[REDACTED]  
Los Angeles, California

5/22/52

SA VINCENT J. O'NEILL

100-41648-1a15

A letter [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] for the Los Angeles Committee  
to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG case, reflecting that  
"like Dreyfus, the Rosenbergs were selected as victims in this  
turbulent of witch hunting because they happen to be Jews  
of progressive convictions." 070

Exhibit 35

12/23/52

SA SIDNEY M. WOLF

Exhibit 36

4/25/52

SA ROBERT G. LAMB

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A letter addressed "Dear Friend" from SOPHIE  
DAVIDSON (characterized above) reflecting the question could  
it be that the death sentence for the ROSENBERGS resulted  
because the judge was a Jew and was trying to prove that  
Jews are 200% Americans. 070



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Exhibit 37

11/14/52

SA BERNARD W. PTACEK

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Press release sent to numerous foreign editors reflecting a verdict of guilty was obviously the result not of evidence and testimony but of MC CARTHY-MC CARMAN cold war hysteria which surrounded the ROSENBERG case. This release stated that the ROSENBERGS consistently denied membership in the Communist Party, but they were political nonconformist. b7D

The following information is set forth concerning individuals set out above as potential witnesses and available to testify.

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The DFW is a west coast Communist newspaper.

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January 26, 1953

SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE  
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INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950  
(Office of Origin: New York)  
(Bufile 100-387835)

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Reurlet 1/16/53.

Set forth below, in accordance with the provisions of referenced letter, is the pertinent information available in the files of this Office with regard to the subject organization.

All sources set forth are of known reliability, and an asterisk next to a source indicates that the source is currently active as an informant and cannot be exposed or is a person unwilling to testify. In all other instances the informant or source is considered as a potential witness and appropriate background data concerning the sources are set forth under a separate section at the conclusion of this letter.

The file numbers set forth indicate the location of the original exhibit in the Los Angeles file.

The exhibits taken from the "Daily People's World" are from the Los Angeles edition, which in some instances differs from the San Francisco edition. All such exhibits are photostatic copies--the originals of which can be introduced as evidence by the Chief Librarian, Library of Congress, Washington, D. C.

The information set forth below applies to the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case (LACSJRC). Where the subject organization is referred to, it will be as the NCJRC.

The Los Angeles County Communist Party will be referred to in this letter as the LACCP.

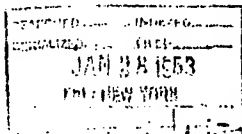
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Inasmuch as this Office is currently in the process of preparing an organizational report concerning the subject organization, information suitable for incorporation in a summary investigative report to be prepared by New York is not being submitted.

I. AVAILABLE EVIDENCE TO SHOW ORGANIZATION  
SUBSTANTIALLY DOMINATED BY THE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA

[REDACTED] THOMAS H. MOORE  
[REDACTED]

At a meeting [REDACTED] of the LACSJRC [REDACTED] BOROOTH HEALEY made a speech to this Committee concerning its work. She also addressed the group concerning a coming LACSJRC meeting setting out how the meeting should be run and what each member must do to make it a success. b7D

BOROOTH HEALEY was convicted in August, 1952, in Los Angeles, for conspiracy to violate the Smith Act of 1940.

[REDACTED]  
10/28/52. SA FAYMON P. KASBAUM  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
11/12/52. SA THOMAS W. CRAWFORD  
[REDACTED]

11/12/52. SA THOMAS W. CRAWFORD  
[REDACTED]

At a meeting sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress (CRC) held October 24, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, California, WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN, Chairman, 15th District, Communist Party, USA, spoke of the prosecution and brutal treatment given the ROSENBERGS by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. SCHNEIDERMAN led the rally to raise money for the ROSENBERGS. b7D

The CRC has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

II. ORIGIN OF ORGANIZATION

[REDACTED]  
8/21/52 SA FLOYD F. PUEVIS  
[REDACTED]

At the Midwest Conference on the ROSENBERG Case held under the auspices of the Chicago Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case on August 16 and 17, 1952, in Chicago, Illinois, DAVID ALMAN, National Executive Secretary of the ROSENBERG Case, stated: "that the LACSJRC was started by Mrs. DAVIDSON with a group of seven progressives who wrote New York. Miss PENNINGTON sent a list of local persons who had contacted the New York office which totaled 37 names in January or February of 1952. They felt that the most correct position to take in the ROSENBERG Case was that the ROSENBERGS were innocent." b7D

The above information was extracted from a Chicago memorandum, dated December 5, 1952, captioned NCSJRC--a copy of which is in possession of New York, file 100-107111.

III. PROOF OF EXISTENCE AFTER 9/23/50

As is set out in "II", this organization was formed, as presently constituted, subsequent to September 23, 1950. All information set forth in this letter may be submitted as evidence that the LACSJRC existed subsequent to that date.

IV. NATIONAL OFFICERS - PAST AND PRESENT

[REDACTED] SA HARRY H. WHIDBEE  
Orally

At a conference held by the LACSJRC in Los Angeles [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] DAVID ALMAN was introduced as Secretary of the NCSJRC. b7D

V. BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

A search of information available to this Office has been made, but nothing of an admissible nature pertinent to this section was located.

VI. COMMUNIST PARTY AFFILIATION OF  
OFFICERS - NATIONAL AND LOCAL

No information of an admissible nature concerning the Communist Party affiliation of national officers of the subject organization is in the possession of this Office.

Local officers are set forth below:

Exhibit #1

[REDACTED]

Los Angeles, California  
1/15/53 SA WILLIAM LEE McFERTY  
100-41648-1A-20

An open letter addressed "Dear Friends," bearing the letterhead Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case, 406 South Main Street, Los Angeles, California, reflects SOPHIE DAVIDSON as Los Angeles Chairman and HARRY PIERCE as Organizational Secretary of this group. The following individuals were among those listed as partial sponsors of this organization:

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Dr. MURRAY ABRONITZ  
Reverend STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN  
Dr. SANFORD COLENER  
MARTIN HALL  
SARAJO LORD  
WYNNEA MORTIMER  
OLIVE THOMPSON

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12/5/49 SA VERNON D. JENSEN  
Orally

As of December 5, 1949, SCOTT DAVISON was Educational Director  
and Literature Director [redacted] LACCP. b7D

5/1/51 SA JULIAN R. BLODGETT, Et Al  
100-1763-1P43-H- Vol. 1, P. 91

As of August, 1951, HARRY PIERCE expressed a desire to enter the  
LACCP, and at that time was looked upon favorably by the LACCP. b7D

Dr. LOUISE SILVER LIGHT  
in testimony before a Public  
Session of the House Committee  
on Un-American Activities,  
Washington, D. C.  
1/21/52  
100-20653-22

Dr. LOUISE SILVER LIGHT stated under oath that she had been an  
active member of the LACCP from 1939 to 1945. She stated further that  
Dr. MURRAY ABRAMITZ was known to her to have been a member of the LACCP  
during the period of her membership.

4/50 Agents of the [redacted]

STEPHEN FRITZMAN was a member of the Communist Party [redacted] b7D

8/23/50 SA P. FAWCETT OVERTON  
100-22873-194

SAMFORD GOLDNER was a member of the [redacted] LACCP, as of  
August, 1950. b7D

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11/24/51 SA BERNARD M. PTACEK

As of November, 1951, MARTIN HALL was Chairman of the Science and Education Division of the Hollywood Arts, Sciences, and Professions Council (HASPC). b7D

[redacted] advised Special Agent MARCUS M. BRIGHT on February 20, 1951, that the HASPC, which is the Southern California Chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences, and Professions, was the most important Communist controlled organization in the Hollywood professional field at that time, and its policies parallel the Communist Party line on all important issues. Membership in the HASPC, of itself, however, does not connote membership in or sympathy with the Communist Party. b7D

October, 1949 SA J. ROBERT SULLIVAN  
100-18782-D

SARAJO LOPE was a member of the [redacted] LACCP, from 1947 to 1949. b7D

8/49 SA IRVING T. WEEKS  
Orally

STANLEY MORTIMER in February, 1949, was assigned to the [redacted] LACCP. b7D

6/11/52 SA JOHN P. McNEIGH  
Orally

As of June, 1952, OLIVE THOMPSON was a member of the LACCP. b7D

Exhibit #2

8/23/52 SA THOMAS D. BRYANT  
100-41648-1A-26 b7D

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A flyer entitled "Los Angeles Falls to the ROSENBERGS," announcing a meeting to be sponsored by LACSJRC on September 12, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium listed as among the partial list of sponsors those individuals set out and characterized under Exhibit #1.

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SA WILLIAM J. NOLAN, JR.

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1945 SA VERNON D. JENSEN  
Orally

STELLA BIBEP attended numerous meetings of the LACCP, during 1946.

SA THOMAS H. MOORE

SOPHIE DAVIDSON has been previously characterized.

10/21/62 SA KENNETH F. MERRILL  
100-32872-1A-1

GEORGE BELL is a member of the CRC in Los Angeles for the year 1952-1953. The CRC has been previously characterized.



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[REDACTED]  
April, 1948 SA VERRON D. JENSEN  
Orally

FRIEDA SAFERSTEIN was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP, 870  
as of April, 1948.

[REDACTED]  
10/23/51 SA SIDNEY M. WOLF

ROSALIE SCHNEFIELD was a member [REDACTED]  
of the CRC in Los Angeles as of October, 1951. 870

[REDACTED] SA TIMOTHY L. DOROVAN, Et Al  
100-1763-1B-43B, P. 10

[REDACTED] 870

[REDACTED] SA HARRY H. WHIDBEE  
[REDACTED] b7D

SARAJO LORD has been previously characterized.

VII. EXTENT TO WHICH SUPPORT, FINANCIAL  
OR OTHERWISE, IS DERIVED FROM THE COMMUNIST PARTY

[REDACTED] SA ALEX M. HURST  
[REDACTED]

At a meeting of [REDACTED] LACCP, it was discussed whether it was more important at the moment to spare the ROSENBERGS' lives at the expense of presuming their guilt or to fight for an innocent verdict. b7D

[REDACTED] SA JOHN J. DE BELLO

Orally

At a Communist Party Club meeting [REDACTED] it was announced by the Club Educational Director that the next issue to be dealt upon by the Party, after the elections, was the ROSENBERG Case. b7D

[REDACTED] SA JOHN J. DE BELLO

Orally

Two hundred pamphlets concerning the ROSENBERG Case were folded and addressed at a regular meeting [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] SA LAWRENCE OVERTON  
[REDACTED] b7D

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At a meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP, it was announced that all Comrades in union and mass organizations were to send wires to President TRUMAN pleading for clemency on behalf of the ROSENBERGS. 670

SA JOHN J. DE BELLO

SA ICDALIUS A. HALL

At a meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP, it was announced that a meeting would be held to protest the execution of the ROSENBERGS on the following Thursday evening at the Embassy Auditorium in Los Angeles and that all the Club members were to attend the rally instead of attending the regular Communist Party Club meeting. 670

SA JOHN J. DE BELLO

LACCP, stated [REDACTED] that an effort should be made to be present at a meeting to be held at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, on November 20, 1952, --the purpose of which was a rally for the ROSENBERGS. 670

11/30/52 SA JOHN J. DE BELLO

At a meeting of the [REDACTED]

LACCP

[REDACTED] stated that the main issues were Peace and the ROSENBERG Case. 670

SA ALEX M. HURST

At a regular meeting of [REDACTED] it was announced  
LACCP. [REDACTED] that there would be a protest rally for the ROSENBERGS held October 24,  
1952, and all members should attend, if possible. b7D

SA THOMAS E. DYAR

At a meeting held [REDACTED] DOROTHY HEALEY spoke concerning the ROSENBERG trial and the  
sentencing of the ROSENBERGS to death. HEALEY urged everyone present at  
this meeting to appear in a picket line which was to be conducted in Los  
Angeles on November 22, 1952, to protest the sentencing of the ROSENBERGS. b7D

DOROTHY HEALEY has been previously characterized.

SA JOHN D. WALLACE

[REDACTED] means for  
helping the ROSENBERGS' stay of execution were discussed. It was also  
stated at this meeting that the LYL is a youth group studying Marxist-Leninist  
theories, but the Communist Party, as leader in the Labor Movement, sets  
a pattern for it to follow. b7D

The LYL has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within  
the purview of Executive Order 9835.

SA ICERLIUS A. HALL

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] GEORGE M. GIBSON  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the meeting of the [REDACTED] The PROSENBERG Case was discussed, and it was decided to write to President TRUMAN in order to have him commute the sentence from the death penalty. Each member present was urged to get his own Club members and sympathizers to write to the President.

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[REDACTED] 11/26/52 SA THOMAS E. DYAR  
[REDACTED]

A picket line of LACSWJC was held at Fourth and Hill Streets, Los Angeles, California, in November, 1952, and among the participants were DOROTHY HEALEY and BEN DOPES.

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DOROTHY HEALEY has been previously characterized.

BEN DOPES was convicted in August, 1952, in Los Angeles, California, for conspiracy to violate the Smith Act of 1940.

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[REDACTED]  
SA H. EDWARD WHITE  
[REDACTED]

At a celebration [REDACTED]

BEN MARGOLIS gave a talk stating, "The present Fascistic government trapped in a phoney trial and sentenced to death the ROSENBERGS only because they were Jews, just like in Nazi Germany..." 870

[REDACTED]  
7/26/50 and 3/6/51  
SA MARCUS M. BRIGHT  
Orally

BEN MARGOLIS was a member of the CP in Los Angeles  
[REDACTED]

MARGOLIS was an extremely devoted party member who did not question party policy and was sort of a CP "whip" among the professional people in the Communist Party. 870

[REDACTED]  
SA GEORGE M. GIBSON  
[REDACTED]

At an [REDACTED] Rosenberg Committee meeting [REDACTED]

It was stated that the ROSENBERG case had proven to be a great problem for the party and that there was a need for important influential people to come out and speak on the case. It was further stated that this has become practically impossible due to the stifled atmosphere of intimidation and fear. At this meeting it was asked what the party was doing nationally to save the ROSENBERGS; whereupon, plans were disclosed to conduct a White House vigil and a picketline around the White House to start December 14, 1952. 870

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[REDACTED] 01  
SA JOHN J. DE BELLO  
[REDACTED] 02  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] 01

BEN DOBBS has been previously characterized.

[REDACTED]  
SA EDWARD WHITE  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] of the LACSJRC [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] SALMA PACHILIS  
explained the legal phases of the [REDACTED] case and HORACE  
ALEXANDER was a featured speaker. This meeting was chaired  
by DAVID GREENWALD. 020

[REDACTED]  
6/14/40

SA WILLIAM H. VAN LINDINGHAM  
[REDACTED]

In about 1946 or 1947 SALMA PACHILIS was a member  
of the [REDACTED] LACCP. 020

[REDACTED]  
5/8/41

SA VINCENT W. HUGHIS  
[REDACTED]

HORACE VINCENT ALEXANDER as of March, 1941, was a  
member in good standing of the LACCP. 020

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[REDACTED]  
SA GRAHAM A. DAY  
Orally

[REDACTED] b1  
11/15/52  
SA (A) EDWARD F. BRICK

[REDACTED] b2  
One of the speakers at a meeting sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress for the defense of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG held October 24, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, was WILLIAM SCHNIDDERMAN, Chairman, 13th District, CP, USA.

[REDACTED] b1  
[REDACTED] b2  
[REDACTED] b1  
[REDACTED] b2  
[REDACTED] b1  
[REDACTED] b2

SOPHIE DAVIDSON, OLIVE THOMPSON, and RYNDHAM MORTIMER have been previously characterized.

[REDACTED]  
9/16/52

SA RICHARD M. STACEK  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

9/18/52

SA HIRSH P. MIDDENDORF  
[REDACTED] b2D



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[REDACTED] 01  
9/24/52  
SA WILLIS F. WALL  
[REDACTED] 02

At a meeting of the LACSIJC held September 12, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, California, WILLIAM ESTERMAN acted as Chairman and the following persons delivered speeches:

JOHN HOWARD LAMSON  
MARY HYUN  
HORACE ALEXANDER  
SAMUEL ORNITZ

[REDACTED]  
May, 1947  
SA BERNARR M. PLACEK  
100-1763-1A

WILLIAM ESTERMAN as of May, 1947, was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCF. 070

[REDACTED]  
4/24/51  
SA JOHN M. CASHEL  
100-21198-658, p. 4

JOHN HOWARD LAMSON was the top man in the Communist Party in Hollywood in 1938 and was so regarded until 1945. 070

HORACE ALEXANDER has been previously characterized.

[REDACTED]  
SAMUEL D. MORGAN, et al  
100-1763-1B43, Vol. 4, p.s 328, 329  
[REDACTED] 070

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MARTIN BERKELEY, 13208 Wentworth  
Avenue, Pacoima, in testimony before  
a Public Session of the House  
Committee on Un-American Activities  
in Los Angeles, California,  
9/19/51  
100-34715-21

SAM ORNITZ was a member of the Hollywood CP Writers  
group and became a Communist Party member in Hollywood, Cali-  
fornia, in 1947.

EXHIBIT #3  
[REDACTED]

12/8/52  
SA ROBERT E. RUSSELL  
100-27030-1A-5

A flier entitled "To Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG  
Case, Fact Sheet Number 1" dated March, 1952, and distributed  
by [REDACTED] b7D

EXHIBIT #4  
[REDACTED]

12/8/52  
SA ROBERT E. RUSSELL  
100-27030-1A-5

An eleven page booklet entitled, "The Letters of  
JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG" distributed by [REDACTED] b7D

EXHIBIT #5  
[REDACTED]

SA JOHN J. DE BELLO  
[REDACTED]

The above mentioned eleven page booklet was also  
distributed at a regular meeting of the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] LACCP, on [REDACTED] b7D

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EXHIBIT #5  
[REDACTED]  
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A booklet entitled, "A Statement on the ROSENBERG Case" by Rabbi DR. MEYER SHARFF distributed by [REDACTED] b7D

EXHIBIT #5  
[REDACTED]  
11/3/52  
SA JOHN J. DE BELLO  
[REDACTED]

The booklet entitled, "A Statement on the ROSENBERG Case" was also distributed at a regular meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP, on [REDACTED] b7D

EXHIBIT #6  
[REDACTED]  
11/3/52  
SA JOHN J. DE BELLO  
[REDACTED]

A flier entitled, "Message from the Death House" issued by the LACSJRC which was distributed at a regular meeting of the [REDACTED] LACCP, on [REDACTED] b7D

EXHIBIT #7  
"Daily People's World" (DPW)  
4/10/52, page 6,  
"ROSENBERGS' DEFENSE IS MEET TREME"

This article announced a coming meeting of the LACSJRC. Listed in this article are numerous sponsors of the committee which will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #8  
DPW, 4/25/52, page 3,  
"10 DAYS LEFT TO AID ROSENBERGS"

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This article announced that there were but ten days left for amicus curiae briefs to reach New York for the Supreme Court appeal on death sentences meted out to JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG on espionage charges. This article also lists the local sponsors of the LACSJRC which will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #9  
DPW, 9/10/52, page 3,  
"THE ROSENBERG CASE:  
WARNING AND CHALLENGE"

This article announced a Rosenberg Defense Rally to be held September 12, 1952, at the Embassy Auditorium, 9th and Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, under the sponsorship of the LACSJRC. The article also set out the speakers for the September 12 rally which included JOHN HOWARD LAWSON, SAMUEL ORNITZ, HORACE V. ALEXANDER, and WILLIAM B. ESTERMAN, all of whom have been previously characterized.

EXHIBIT #10  
DPW, 9/11/52, page 4,  
"24 SPONSOR ROSENBERG L.A. MEETING"

This article lists twenty-four prominent Southern Californians as sponsors for a rally to be sponsored by the LACSJRC on September 12, 1952. This list will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #11  
DPW, 1/15/52, page 6,  
"1400 PLEDGE FIGHT TO  
SAVE ROSENBERGS"

This article gave an account of the rally held September 12, 1952, under the sponsorship of the LACSJRC.

EXHIBIT #12  
DPW, 9/12/52, page 3,  
"DEMOS URGED TO ACT FOR ROSENBERGS"

This article announced that more than one thousand

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leaflets in letter form, addressed to President HARRY TRUMAN urging him to save the lives of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG were distributed at the Democratic Headquarters, 542 South Broadway, for members of the Los Angeles Rosenberg Defense Committee and the Civil Rights Congress.

The Civil Rights Congress has been previously characterized.

EXHIBIT #13  
DPW, 12/17/52, page 2,  
"ROSENBERG AD IN UNION PAPER"

This article announced that an advertisement appealing for clemency for ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG appeared in an issue of "Organized Labor," Official Weekly Paper of the San Francisco Building Trades Council.

EXHIBIT #14  
DPW, 12/24/52, page 3,  
"WAREHOUSE LOCAL BACKS ROSENBERGS"

This article stated that Warehouse Local 26 of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union called upon President TRUMAN and President Elect EISENHOWER to grant clemency to ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

EXHIBIT #15  
DPW, 12/26/52, page 3  
"EAST SIDE ROSENBERG RALLY,  
JANUARY 4"

This article announced that an East Side Rally on behalf of clemency for ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG would be staged January 4 at the City Terrace Cultural Center, 3875 City Terrace Drive. This article also contained a list of proposed speakers for the January 4 rally which will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

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EXHIBIT #16  
DPW, 12/31/52, page 3,  
"ROSENBERGS' MEETING SET  
TUESDAY IN LOS ANGELES"

This article announced a meeting to be held at Factor Hall, 6075 West Pico Boulevard, on behalf of the ROSENBERGS. This article also sets out the persons scheduled to head the meeting. These individuals will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #17  
DPW, 1/7/53, page 8,  
"300 MARCH IN LOS ANGELES  
FOR ROSENBERGS"

This article stated that 300 pickets marched in front of City Hall in Los Angeles on January 5, 1953, in silent protest against the scheduled execution of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

EXHIBIT #18  
DPW, 1/9/53, page 3,  
"DAILY NEWS AD BACKS ROSENBERGS"

This article announced a full-page advertisement appealing for public support in the clemency campaign to save ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG from death in the electric chair would appear in the "Daily News".

EXHIBIT #19  
DPW, 1/14/53, page 6,  
"MINORITY GROUP LEADERS  
ADDRESS ROSENBERG MEET"

This article announced that a meeting was held at 420 North Soto Street furthering the campaign for clemency on behalf of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

EXHIBIT #20  
DPW, 1/13/53, page 2,  
"CONGRESSMEN LEARN THE FACTS  
ABOUT CLEMENCY FOR ROSENBERGS"

This article announced that twenty-one Southern

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Californians had journeyed to Washington, D. C., for the purpose of appealing to President TRUMAN for executive clemency. This article also listed the delegates which will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #21  
DPW, 1/2/53, page 3,  
"SCORE TO FLY FROM L.A. TO  
FILED FOR ROSENBERGS"

This article listed the delegates from Los Angeles who were to take the plane for Washington in order to call upon President TRUMAN to commute the death sentences of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG. The list of delegates will be set out and characterized at the end of this section.

EXHIBIT #22  
DPW, 1/5/53, page 1,  
"THOUSANDS RALLY TO SAVE ROSENBERGS"

This article announced the arrival of hundreds of delegates in Washington, D. C., for the purpose of urging support for presidential clemency for ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

Exhibits 7 to 22 contain numerous references to persons mentioned in various "Daily People's World" articles as affiliating with or sponsoring and supporting the LACJRC.

Set out below in chart form are those individuals mentioned in one or more exhibits, along with their past or present affiliation with the Communist Party.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned</u>
Dr. MURRAY ABOWITZ	8, 10
HORACE ALEXANDER	9, 10, 15
SOPHIE DAVIDSON	11, 15
WILLIAM B. ESTERMAN	11, 12
STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN	7, 8, 10, 12
SANFORD GOLWNER	7, 8, 10
MARTIN HALL	10
MARY HYUN	11
JOHN HOWARD LARSON	9, 11, 18
SARAJO LORD	8, 10
BEN MAROOLIS	14, 18, 19
WYNDHAM MORTIMER	8, 10
SAMUEL ORNITZ	9, 10, 11
OLIVE THOMPSON	8, 10

The above-mentioned individuals have been characterized previously.



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<u>Name</u>	<u>Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned</u>	
GLEOPHAS BROWN	22	
[REDACTED]		b7D
MIRIAM BECKER	18	
[REDACTED] advised SA J. ROBERT SULLIVAN on 10/5/49 orally that BECKER was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP.		b7D
GEORGE BRADOW	19	
[REDACTED]		b7D
AL CAPLAN	14	
[REDACTED] advised SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON on 9/19/52 orally that CAPLAN was a former member of the LACCP.		b7D
GUY ENDORE	20	
[REDACTED] advised SA MARCUS M. BRIGHT and SA ANDREW JOSEPH DECKER, JR. on 11/7/52 orally that he was affiliated with the Communist Party [REDACTED] and identified ENDORE as a fellow member of the Communist Party.		b7D
PAULINE EPSTEIN	18	
DAVID AARON, Attorney at Law, Buena Park, Orange County, California, in testimony given before a public session of the House Committee on Un-American Activities held at Washington, D. C. on 1/23/52, stated that he was a Communist Party member from November, 1946 until the end of 1948. AARON identified EPSTEIN as a Communist Party member and recalled his having attended Communist Party meetings. (Copy of testimony in 62-1664-1B2(1).)		

Name	Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned
JACK FLIER	8, 10
[redacted] advised SA GEORGE D. THOMSON in July, 1946 that FLIER was a member of the [redacted] LACCP and was named Literature Director for the [redacted] LACCP, as of July, 1946. 870	
JOSEPH HITTLEMAN	18
Dr. LOUISF SILVER LIGHT, Los Angeles physician, testified before a public session of the House Committee on Un-American Activities at Washington, D. C. on 1/21/52 and stated that she was a member of the LACCP from 1939 to 1945. She identified HITTLEMAN as being a member of the LACCP. (Copy of testimony in 62-1604-1B3 (1), p. 50).	
NATHAN KAFLAN	18
[redacted] advised SA JACK W. RICHARDSON orally on 4/22/52 that KAFLAN was a member [redacted] of the LACCP as of that date. 870	
ROBERT W. KENNY	7, 8, 12
[redacted] advised SA [redacted] orally that [redacted] in the early part of 1942 that ROBERT W. KENNY was a Communist Party member. KENNY was frequently referred to as a Communist. The "Daily Worker" is an East Coast Communist newspaper. 870	
ISAAC LAIDLAY	18
[redacted] advised SA JOHN J. HIGGINS on 2/26/51 that LAIDLAY was a member of the LACCP as of February, 1951. (100-17796A-401). 870	

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned</u>	
PAUL MAJOR	8, 10	
[REDACTED] advised SA KENNETH R. MERRILL orally on 4/3/50 that PAUL MAJOR was a member of the LACCP.		b7D
SYLVIA MAJOR	10	
[REDACTED] advised SA KENNETH R. MERRILL on 4/3/50 that SYLVIA MAJOR was a member of the [REDACTED] LACCP as of that date.		b7D
FREDA MALEN	21	
[REDACTED] advised SA JOHN J. HENRY on 6/1/49 orally that MALEN was Educational Director of the [REDACTED] LACCP.		b7D
JOHN McTERNAN	8, 10	
[REDACTED]		b7D
MAX SCHOEN	16	
[REDACTED]		b7D
CHARLES SCHWARTZ	8	
[REDACTED]		b7D

Name	Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned
HERBERT SIMMONS	8
[redacted] advised SA GEORGE H. SCATTERDAY on 4/3/46 that SIMMONS was a member of the [redacted] LACCP in April of 1946. 870	
DALE SONDERGAARD	12
[redacted] Miss SONDERGAARD was officially reported [redacted] to be a member of the Communist Party and that she also had been the source of considerable money raising in the cultural section of the Communist Party. 870	
ART TAKEI	18
[redacted] advised SA's ROBERT R. BROOKSHER and MERLE L. PARKER on 2/27/52 that TAKEI was a member of the [redacted] LACCP during 1947 and 1948. 870	
JACK TENNER	7, 8
A. MARBURG YERKES, Attorney at Law, 9th and Hill Streets, Los Angeles, California, testified before a public session of the House Committee on Un-American Activities held in Washington, D. C. in the winter of 1952 that JACK TENNER was a member of the Lawyers Branch, LACCP as late as 1949.	
MAURICIO TERRAZAS	18
[redacted] advised SA R. RAWLINS OVERTON on 1/15/51 that TERRAZAS was a member of the LACCP. 870	
JOHN WEXLEY	16
[redacted] stated that he recalled WEXLEY as being a member of the Communist Party in Hollywood. 870	

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Exhibit Number in Which Individual is Mentioned</u>
WILLIE LESTER WISE	22
[redacted] advised SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON on 11/21/52 that WISE was a member of [redacted] LACCP [redacted] b7D	
MARIE WRIGHT	18
[redacted] advised SA CHARLES W. PAGE on 7/10/50 that MARIE WRIGHT was a member of the [redacted] LACCP as of July, 1950 [redacted] b7D	

VIII. EXTENT TO WHICH THE POLICY OF AND POSITION TAKEN  
BY THE ORGANIZATION DOES NOT DEVIATE FROM THE COMMUNIST PARTY LINE

Exhibit 23  
DPW, 3/21/52  
Page 3 and Page 6 Column 3  
"Anti-Semitism in the Rosenberg Case"

"The death sentence in the ROSENBERG case is part of the cold war Fascist tactics and anti-Semitism in the United States. This is a method whereby the Government is advancing the anti-Communist hysteria."

Exhibit 24  
DPW, 4/29/52  
Page 3 and Page 6  
"Rosenberg Edict Perils All of Us"

WILLIAM REUBEN (characterized above) stated that the United States foreign policy and the United States press has built up a myth of secrecy concerning the atomic bomb and when the public learned of the Soviet atom bomb explosion the press began clamoring for spies.

Exhibit 25  
DPW, 6/5/52  
Page 5  
Editorial "The Rosenbergs"

"The precedent of a death penalty in the Rosenberg frame-up threatens the civil liberties of all and creates dangerous possibilities for further attempted death sentences for espionage, for peace advocates and political dissenters. The execution of the Rosenbergs will undoubtedly swell the already alarming torrent of anti-Semitic prejudice and violence."

Exhibit 26  
DPW, 10/10/52  
Page 1  
Editorial "Fate of a President: They Must Die!"

1. "The Rosenbergs are victims of calculated war hysteria.
2. "They are victims of that base rejection of precedent, known as anti-Communism.

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3. "They are the victims of a foul and insidious anti-Semitism that penetrates deeper into the fabric of national life because a reactionary war drive needs scapegoats and must summon forth and fan ancient prejudices.

4. "They are victims of a unhuman sadism that must be carefully nurtured by those who wish to dull the revulsion of the people of the horrors of an atomic war, to the massacres in Korea."

Exhibit 27

DPW, 10/17/52

Page 3

"Alexander Asked Truman to Aid Rosenbergs"

HORACE V. ALEXANDER, characterized above, is quoted as stating Jim Crow and anti-Semitism are instituted to keep the people divided, create religious and racial hatreds, and to be a smoke screen to hide the real issues and a weapon to frighten the people into accepting the present status quo into drive toward World War III.

Exhibit 28

DPW, 10/22/52

Page 2

"Julius Rosenberg Writes From the Death House: Let Us Hear the People Answer"

"The trial of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg was a frame-up which was held in an atmosphere of war and anti-Communist hysteria."

Exhibit 29

DPW, 12/23/52

Page 1

"One Thousand Marched in the Rain. . ."

WILLIAM PATTERSON, Chairman of the Civil Rights Congress, told a crowd outside of Sing Sing Prison that a million in Europe, Asia and Africa as well as the United States are determined that this cold war crime shall not take place.

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Exhibit 30

DPW, 1/9/53

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Editorial "Every Voice Counts"

Urges everyone to appeal to President TRUMAN for executive clemency for the ROSENBERGS "to keep the reputation of our country from being stained forever with this blood sacrifice to war hysteria."

Exhibit 31

12/17/52

SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON

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A four-page newspaper-type pamphlet reflecting several articles including "Did the Cold War Doom the Rosenbergs?, Jewish Aspects of a Case Stir Wide Scale Protest," issued by the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 515 West 41st Place, Los Angeles 37, California. b7D

Exhibit 32

8/4/52

SA THOMAS H. MOORE

100-41648-1a47

Pamphlet advertising an open-air meeting on August 2, 1952, under the auspices of the Westside Chapter of the Civil Rights Congress reflecting the ROSENBERG Case occurred in a period of increasing anti-Semitism and attacks on the Negro and Mexican people and the foreign-born. b7D

Exhibit 33

8/4/52

SA THOMAS H. MOORE

100-41648-1a13

Throwaway entitled "Let's Not Have a Dreyfus Case in America," reflecting the ROSENBERGS were chosen because they were progressives as well as members of a minority group and could be fitted into the role of "Communist spies." b7D



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Exhibit 34

Los Angeles, California

5/22/52

SA VINCENT J. O'NEILL

100-41648-1a15

A letter, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] for the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG case, reflecting that "like Dreyfus, the Rosenbergs were selected as victims in this turbulent of witch hunting because they happen to be Jews of progressive convictions."

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Exhibit 35

12/23/52

SA SIDNEY M. WOLF

Exhibit 36

4/26/52

SA ROBERT G. LAMB

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A letter addressed "Dear Friend" from SOPHIE DAVIDSON (characterized above) reflecting the question could it be that the death sentence for the ROSENBERGS resulted because the judge was a Jew and was trying to prove that Jews are 200% Americans.

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Exhibit 37  
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11/14/52

SA BERNARD M. PTACEK  
[REDACTED]

Press release sent to numerous foreign editors reflecting a verdict of guilty was obviously the result not of evidence and testimony but of MC CARTHY-MC CARMAN cold war hysteria which surrounded the ROSENBERG case. This release stated that the ROSENBERGS consistently denied membership in the Communist Party, but they were political nonconformist. b7D

The following information is set forth concerning individuals set out above as potential witnesses and available to testify.

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The DPW is a west coast Communist newspaper. b7D

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PART I

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THE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA

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[redacted] on March 2, 1948 identified GENOLA BURKS as a member of the Alameda County Communist Party. b2

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2. Hysteria and intimidation were deliberately and cynically employed by the press, the prosecutor, the Judge and the government itself.

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3. No evidence whatsoever supports the conviction.
4. Anti-Semitism flows through the entire case.

IV CURRENT NATIONAL OFFICERS AND  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

No information available.

V EXTENT TO WHICH PERSONS ACTIVE IN  
NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
IN ROSENBERG CASE WHETHER OR NOT  
HOLDING OFFICE OR ACTIVE IN THE  
COMMUNIST PARTY

The Daily People's World on May 2, 1952, page 10, column 1, contained an article entitled "REUBEN to Speak on ROSENBERGS in Mill Valley". This article reported that WILLIAM REUBEN had agreed to speak on the ROSENBERG case on the night of May 3, 1952 at the home of PETER DREYFUS, 87 Oakdale, Mill Valley. PETER DREYFUS has been identified by [REDACTED] of known reliability, as a Communist Party member. b2

The Daily People's World of January 6, 1953, page 3, columns 1 and 2, contained an article entitled "Participants to Report on Vigil for ROSENBERGS". The article stated that a Bay Area minister, a radio commentator, SIDNEY ROGER, and a writer, PHIZ MEZEY, would give a first-hand report on Thursday night on the clemency vigil for the ROSENBERGS in progress in Washington, D. C. According to the article, the meeting was sponsored by the San Francisco Committee to Save the ROSENBERGS and would be chaired by CHARLES R. GARY, President of the San Francisco Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild. [REDACTED] has identified SIDNEY ROGER as a concealed member of the Communist Party, San Francisco. b2

[REDACTED] of known reliability, has identified PHIZ MEZEY as a member of the Communist Party of San Francisco. b2

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[REDACTED] b7D  
[REDACTED] of known reliability, has identified ELIZABETH STABLES as a Communist Party member. b2

[REDACTED] of known reliability, has identified SYLVIA TANGEN as a Communist Party member. b2

[REDACTED] of known reliability, has identified BARBARA HIRSCHFELD as a Communist Party member. b2

[REDACTED] of known reliability, has identified AL GIRARD as a Communist Party member. b2

[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] Committee met [REDACTED] and decided to send various letters out of trade unions to organizations such as Jewish, negro and white church groups, to minority groups and to 200 prominent persons in the San Francisco Bay area. b7D

[REDACTED] b7D  
[REDACTED] of known reliability, has identified SYLVIA STEINGART as a Communist Party member. b2

[REDACTED] of known reliability, has identified Dr. ASHER GORDON as a Communist Party member in San Francisco. b2



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[redacted] of known reliability, has identified LILLIAN GORDON as a Communist Party member in San Francisco. b7D

[redacted] advised SA LEO F. TULLY orally on May 6, 1952, original file 100-35117-17, that SYLVIA STEINGART was a leader of the activities of the San Francisco Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case. b7D

attended a meeting [redacted]

[redacted] at which a record entitled "They Must Not Die" was played. This record purports to be a documentary dramatization of the ROSENBERG case under the direction of PHIZ MEZEY, previously identified. b7D

VI EXTENT TO WHICH NATIONAL COMMITTEE  
TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG  
CASE SUPPORT, FINANCIAL OR OTHER-  
WISE, DERIVED FROM COMMUNIST PARTY

No information available.

VII EXTENT TO WHICH THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE  
TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG  
CASE FUNDS, RESOURCES AND PERSONNEL  
ARE UTILIZED TO PROMOTE OBJECTIVES OF  
THE COMMUNIST PARTY

No information available.

VIII EXTENT TO WHICH NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO  
SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE  
POSITION ADVANCED ON MATTERS OF POLICY  
DO NOT DEVIATE FROM THE LINE OF THE  
COMMUNIST PARTY

The Daily People's World of June 5, 1952, page 5, column 1, contained an editorial entitled "The ROSENBERGS", which noted that both the American Jewish Congress and the American Civil Liberties Union jointly sponsored a memorandum upholding the death sentences in the conviction of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG. The editorial declared that the American Jewish Congress had yielded to racist persecution against the Jewish people with its unsubstantiating and empty denial of anti-Semitism in the ROSENBERG trial. The editorial concluded with expression of a hope that members of these organizations would succeed in persuading them to reverse their positions and urge members of these organizations and all other labor, civil rights, Jewish and civic organizations to fight to prevent the execution of the ROSENBERGS.

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PART II.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE FOR USE  
IN INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

DPW of August 22, 1952, Page 3, Column 1

Article announces that the East Bay Committee to Save the Rosenberg's is to hold a meeting at 1219 Walnut Street, Berkeley, California. The playing of WILLIAM REUBEN, National Guardian reporter's speech on the ROSENBERG Case is to be a feature of the evening. U

DPW of October 15, 1952, Page 1, Column 5

Article entitled "Emergency Meet Called for Rosenbergs"

Article announces that JULIUS KELLER and EPHRIAM KAHN are to be speakers at a meeting called for Saturday at 150 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco to map a local campaign for clemency for the ROSENBERGS. U

It is noted that [REDACTED] has identified JULIUS KELLER is a member of the Communist Party, while [REDACTED] has identified EPHRIAM KAHN as a Communist Party member. U 010

DPW of October 16, 1952, Page 3, Column 1 to 5

Article entitled "Telephone the President, They Must Not Die!"

Article announces ROSENBERGS are victims of war hysteria, anti-Communism, anti-Semitism, and sadism, nurtured by those who wish to dull the revulsion of people to Korea and atomic war. A reactionary drive needs scapegoats and summons forth and fans ancient prejudices. U

DPW of October 20, 1952, Page 3, Column 2 - 4

Article entitled "Five Front Drives Presented To Save the Rosenbergs".

Article announces an all day, every day campaign to save the ROSENBERGS, which was a result of an emergency conference called by the San Francisco and East Bay Committee To Secure Justice for the ROSENBERGS last Saturday. The article stated the campaign would include the following:

- 1 - Full page advertisements in Northern California daily newspapers.
  - 2 - Distribution of 100,000 leaflets stating the facts of the frame-up.
  - 3 - A series of radio broadcasts to publicize the appeal of clemency.
  - 4 - A drive among church leaders to enlist their support accompanied by meetings in homes, formation of committees in Northern California communities, and arrangements to supply speakers to organizations.
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DPW of October 24, 1952, Page 1, Column 1 and 2

Article entitled "Patterson—Rosenberg Case Most Important"

Article stated that WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, Executive National Secretary, Civil Right's Congress, stated that the ROSENBERG Case is the single most important case in America today. PATTERSON declared the ROSENBERGS were framed on an "atomic espionage" charge, primarily because they were Jews. Every conscientious man and woman must realize that if the death penalty is applied to the ROSENBERGS, the Government will have declared that those who fight for peace are subject to capital punishment.

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DPW of October 30, 1952, Page 3, Column 1 and 2

Article entitled "San Francisco Rosenberg Group Challenges  
Meeting Hall Ban"

Article announces that PAUL SCHNUR, Chairman of the Bay Area Committee to Save ROSENBERGS, stated the organization would appeal the rejection of the use of city owned Polk Hall by the organization for a ROSENBERG meeting. U

DPW of November 18, 1952, Page 1, Column 2 and 4

Article entitled "Telegrams, Letters to Truman Urged"

Article stated that the Bay Area Committee to Save the ROSENBERGS issued a call today for a flood of wires and letters to the White House, urging Executive clemency be granted the ROSENBERGS by President TRUMAN. U

DPW of November 19, 1952, Page 3, Column 1 - 3

Article entitled "San Francisco Rosenberg Supporters Will Join  
Truman Appeal"

Article stated that the Bay Area Committee to Save the ROSENBERGS launched a drive today to send the maximum number of delegates possible on a national pilgrimage to Washington, D. C., in an effort to secure Executive clemency from President TRUMAN. U

[redacted] of known reliability. 62

Information furnished to SA DAVID F. MULLANE on December 2, 1952.

The original information is located in file [redacted] 62

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[redacted] 61

It is noted that the Russian American Society has been identified by [redacted] on March 10, 1952 as being controlled and dominated by members of the Communist Party and persons sympathetic to the Soviet Union, and that activities of the Society consists primarily of dissemination of propaganda on the behalf of the USSR. 62

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Information furnished to SA THOMAS J. CONRY on December 2, 1952.

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Informant stated that he received a copy of a letter mailed by the Independent Progressive Party, San Francisco, captioned "Emergency Appeal to Our Members and Friends". This letter requested the recipient to donate \$1 to the Bay Area Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case. 62

It is noted that the Independent Progressive Party has been cited by the California Committee on un-American Activities as a Communist dominated and controlled group in California. 62

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Information furnished to SA JOHN A. LAWLER on November 17, 1952.

The original information is located in [redacted] 62

Informant stated that he received a letter from the East Bay

Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions, stating that while this organization did not take a stand on the guilt or innocence of the ROSENBERGS, it believes that the ROSENBERGS did not receive a fair trial and urges members and friends to write or wire President Truman, urging a commutation of the death sentence against the ROSENBERGS. u

It is noted that the East Bay Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions has been cited as a Communist Front by the Congressional Committee on un-American Activities. u

SF 1913-S\* reported that DECCA TREUHART, East Bay Director, Civil Right's Congress, on November 22, 1952 stated that the CRC received a message from the National Office requesting them to quickly take some action on the ROSENBERG Case. u

It is noted that the Civil Right's Congress has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835. u

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No information available.

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Information furnished to SA DAVID F. MULLANE on December 2, 1952.

The original information is located in file [redacted] 62

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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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PART I

I AVAILABLE EVIDENCE SHOWING THE NATIONAL  
COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSEN-  
BERG CASE IS SUBSTANTIALLY DOMINATED BY  
THE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA

*See 242*  
[redacted] Reference Section, Library of Congress,  
Washington, D. C., or his designated representative, can introduce the  
issue of the Daily People's World newspaper, which is published in San Francisco, California.

The Daily People's World of December 12, 1952, page 3, columns 1 and 2, contained an article entitled "Mrs. BERNIS Hoads East Bay ROSENBERG Defense Group". The article announced that Mrs. GERIOLA BERNIS was selected as Executive Secretary of the East Bay Division of the Committee to Save the ROSENBERGS. The article states Mrs. BERNIS gained local prominence while participating in the Civil Rights Congress campaigns to save the lives of JERRY RUBIN and WILLIE MCGEE.

[redacted] on March 2, 1948 identified GERIOLA BERNIS as a member of the 82 Alameda County Communist Party.

The Daily People's World of December 5, 1952, page 3, columns 2 and 3, contained an article entitled "ROSENBERG Group Haps Legal Action for Hall". The article announced that FRANCIS MOTHERMAN, attorney for the San Francisco Committee to Save the ROSENBERGS, would take legal action to win the use of Larkin Hall Civic Auditorium, San Francisco, for a rally on December 19. The article listed PAUL SCHNE as Chairman of the Committee and SYLVIA STEINHAUT as Committee Secretary.

[redacted] of known reliability, in 1947 identified MOTHERMAN as Financial Director of the Haymarket Branch of the San Francisco County Communist Party.

SP 613-S\* on September 22, 1945 identified PAUL SCHNE as a member of the County Board of the Communist Party of San Francisco.

[redacted] of known reliability, has identified SYLVIA STEINHAUT as a member of the Communist Party of San Francisco.

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II ORIGIN

The Daily People's World of April 22, 1952, page 6, columns 4 and 5, contained an article entitled "Reporter Speaks Sunday on ROSENBERG Case". This article reported that the Provisional Committee at a meeting on April 27, 1952 did propose that the Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case be made permanent.

The Daily People's World of April 21, 1951, page 6, column 5, contained an article entitled "ROSENBERG Case Export Duo in San Francisco". This article reported that WILLIAM A. REUBEN, former Public Relations Director for the American Civil Liberties Union and presently a reporter for the National Guardian, did speak at 1830 Sutter Street, San Francisco, on April 27, 1952. This article reported the meeting would be held under the auspices of the recently organized San Francisco Provisional Committee to Secure Justice for ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG, which recently established headquarters at 760 Hayes Street, San Francisco.

III EXISTENCE OF ORGANIZATION  
ON AND AFTER SEPTEMBER 23, 1950

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1. Communications to President TRUMAN and the U. S. Attorney General requesting that they take steps to reverse the verdicts and death sentences in the ROSENBERG case.
2. Activity in unions, churches and fraternal organizations to secure discussion of the ROSENBERG case.
3. Wide distribution of the Fact Sheet.
4. Support of the San Francisco Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-35117)  
SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT, 1950

DATE: January 26, 1953

AIR MAIL

Re New York letter to SA dated 1/16/53.

Please find enclosed herewith to the New York Office copies of a memorandum prepared by the San Francisco Office as requested in referenced letter in connection with the prosecutive summary report to be prepared by the New York Office.

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5 - Seven "Daily People's World" newspaper articles.

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DATE: 1/26/53

TO : SAC, New York (100-107111):

FROM : SAC, Albany (100-13260)

SUBJECT:

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
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Rebulet 1/16/53.

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